



'UN files lay blame clearly on Waldheim'

By DAVID HOROVITZ
Jerusalem Post Correspondent
and agencies

LONDON — Austrian President Kurt Waldheim played "a major role in carrying out Hitler's order under which enemy troops were murdered after being captured," according to newly-unearthed evidence quoted in today's *Sunday Express* newspaper.

The evidence, mainly from the newly-opened UN war crimes files, also links Waldheim to Nazi reprisals against towns and villages in Yugoslavia, and shows that the Allies believed as long ago as 1947 that he should be charged with murder.

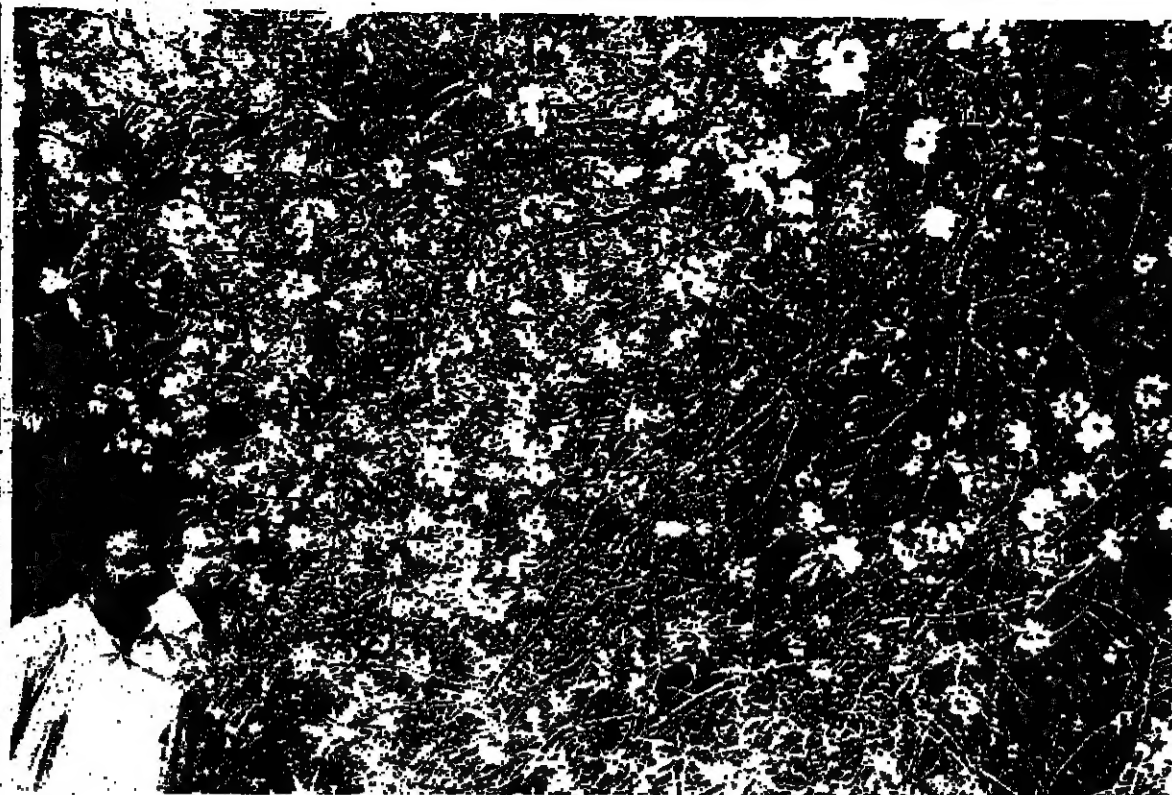
On nineteen occasions, Waldheim, one of only two interrogation officers in Army Group "E" of the Nazi high command, interrogated captured enemy troops and handed the prisoners over to the SS to be tortured and killed, reports the *Sunday Express*.

Quoting from the archives, it states that on April 5, 1944, seven British commandos and three Greek partisans were sent to Waldheim for interrogation. The records show that 19 days later, Waldheim wrote that "future questioning would be fruitless." The group was turned over to the SS for "final disposition."

The following month, according to the archives, four more British soldiers were sent to Waldheim for questioning and then to the SS to be killed. And then, in July 1944, another British soldier was killed by the SS "following a transfer order carrying the familiar signature, 'W. Kurt Waldheim,'" reports the *Express*.

This morning's report splashed across the newspaper's front page, quotes also from a letter Waldheim wrote to his American publishers Adler and Adler of New York, in which he admitted: "From April 1943 until Spring 1945, I served as one of the organizers of the Heeresgruppe E in the Balkans, Greece." Arsenaki was the hillside headquarters for the Nazi command at Salonika.

Waldheim has repeatedly denied (Continued on Back Page)



The unseasonable warm weather has brought out the blossoms on almond trees in the Jerusalem area, two months earlier than usual. (Elhazar, Scoop 80)

Tass accuses American right-wing of trying to hamper ties

MOSCOW — The official news agency Tass accused conservative Americans yesterday of launching an anti-Soviet campaign ahead of next month's summit between Kremlin leader Mikhail Gorbachev and President Ronald Reagan.

Tass denounced American right-wingers for questioning the accord banning superpower intermediate-range nuclear weapons (INF) which the leaders will sign at the summit, and said they were also making unfounded human rights charges against Moscow.

"All this testifies to the beginning of a coordinated campaign in the U.S. aiming to hamper progress in U.S.-Soviet relations. This is an irresponsible position, which is bound to damage the cause of peace and mankind's security," Tass said.

The official press said yesterday that the Soviet Embassy in Washington is receiving thousands of letters in support of the superpower arms agreement, but portrayed the Sovi-

ets as questioning the U.S. government's goodwill.

Newspapers carried a variety of editorials, letters and reports about the treaty banning medium- and shorter-range missiles to be signed in Washington next month by Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev and U.S. President Ronald Reagan.

Gorbachev is set to travel to Washington for the summit on December 7 and stay until December 10. It will be his third meeting with Reagan, following summits in Geneva and Reykjavik in November 1985 and October 1986.

The centerpiece of the summit will be the INF treaty but Moscow — in a view echoed in yesterday's Communist party daily *Pravda* — says the meeting should also provide a stimulus to talks on cutting superpower intercontinental missiles.

Tass said only a small group of Congressmen was openly opposed to the INF treaty, but added that

Shamir passes ball in row on stadium

Acting Interior Minister Shamir has delegated his authority to approve the construction of a soccer stadium in Jerusalem's Manahat neighbourhood to Interior Ministry Director-General Arye Deri, it emerged on Friday.

The High Court of Justice today is to hear the petition submitted by MK Dedi Zucker (Citizens Rights Movement) and Jerusalem Mayor Teddy Kollek against Shamir for delaying approval of the plan.

In its response on Friday to the petition, the state noted that Shamir had delegated his authority to Deri and said that Deri was still examining the plan. As part of this examination, Deri last Tuesday met with residents of the Bayit Vagan neighbourhood, which borders on Manahat, to hear their opposition to the plan, an affidavit attached to the response said.

Arguing that the stadium would have a significant environmental impact, the state said that the delay in the approval of the plan, which was submitted to Shamir three months ago, was not "unreasonable." (Itim) (Shahar troubles in Jerusalem, page 2)

No ransom paid for hostages, says Chirac

By MICHEL ZLOTOWSKI
and Agencies

PARIS — Two French newsmen released by Shi'ite Moslem kidnappers in Beirut arrived in Paris yesterday aboard a special jet and were welcomed home by Premier Jacques Chirac.

The warm reception for Jean-Louis Normandin, 36, a lighting engineer for the French Antenne 2 television network, and freelance journalist Roger Auque, 31, was broadcast live by Antenne 2.

The respected newspaper *Le Monde*, quoting good sources, said in its edition appearing yesterday afternoon that "the payment of a ransom contributed to the conclusion of the negotiations with the kidnappers." It furnished no other details.

Chirac, in a brief speech at the airport before the arrival of the two former hostages, formally denied that any ransom was paid and called the report a "deceitful allegation with no basis."

As the official Mystere 20 jet landed, a large group of officials, police, family members and reporters crowded around the aircraft to greet the two former hostages.

The VIP lounge was packed with shouting, clapping people as Normandin and Auque entered smiling. They were greeted by a forest of microphones.

Auque thanked all who had worked for his release.

"In September, I was informed that I would probably be freed," he said.

Auque repeated what he said immediately after his release that "the majority of the kidnappers were Palestinians."

Later, he was quoted as saying: "The mentally sick, the captors, those who played the role of nurses and guards, were Palestinians. I think that it's important. It's more proof that the Palestinians are not only refugees and victims. They have remained terrorists, hostages abductors."

"It was very hard — a nightmare — because there were days when we didn't get anything to eat or drink." (Continued on Back Page)

Camp failed to act on warning, says North's OC

By JOSHUA BRILLIANT
Post Defence Reporter

TEL AVIV — The IDF is expected to take disciplinary action against the commanders who failed to defend their brigade headquarters near Kiryat Shmona on Wednesday night against an attack by a terrorist who killed six soldiers and wounded seven others after infiltrating Israel with a hang-glider.

The terrorist entered the camp and fired his gun and

(Labour) has recommended the government make a statement to the Knesset in the matter.

O/C Northern Command Aluf Yossi Peled and his staff conducted a five-hour investigation into the incident on Friday.

"The soldiers at the camp were trained and could have prevented the incident," Peled insisted. "The problem was not only with the soldiers but with the commanders who were there and received warning. The entire system, from the commanders to the soldiers, didn't react to the warning with the required seriousness."

Military sources said the first alert was sounded by a unit in Lebanon which reported hearing the "noise of a moped in the air." The command verified the report ascertaining that the noise was also heard elsewhere and establishing that the IDF had no aircraft in the area.

This was done to prevent a false alarm because similar sounds are heard there every other day, *The Jerusalem Post* was told last night. When it transpired there was no mistake, Peled ordered an alert.

Entrances to settlements were closed, roads were blocked and soldiers were sent to beef up the guard details. "The system operated very quickly. The settlements were (Continued on Back Page)

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hurled hand-grenades until he was shot and killed by a soldier he had wounded.

The chairman of the Knesset Foreign Affairs and Defence Committee, Abba Eban, has called an extraordinary meeting of the committee for this afternoon to hear reports on the incident from Defence Minister Yitzhak Rabin and Chief of General Staff Rav-Aluf Dan Shomron.

MK Benni Shalita (Likud) said the committee would insist on a thorough investigation. Acting Knesset Speaker Aharon Nahmias

Wounded soldiers improving

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The condition of the three soldiers wounded in the attack in Kiryat Shmona Wednesday night, who are being treated at Rambam Hospital in Haifa, improved over the weekend.

However, the soldier with the head wound was still in serious condition last night, though no longer on the critical list. He was hit in the head by two splinters from high velocity bullets which had ricocheted. He was taken off the respirator yesterday morning, and if he can continue without it he has a good chance of recovering, the hospital's deputy director, Dr. Albert Sa-

finger, told *The Jerusalem Post*.

The soldier with the leg wound is recovering well and the third man, who was brought from Safad hospital to be near his family, was wounded only lightly in his hip, and is already walking about. He is likely to be released soon.

Four of those wounded in the incident are still being treated in Safad hospital. Three have slight wounds and the fourth is in moderate condition with a smashed thigh. Dr. Gabby Dickstein, director of the hospital, said their chances of full recovery are excellent, and two would be discharged early this week.

Hungarians say 'no' to Sharon visit

By BENNY MORRIS
Post Diplomatic Correspondent

An "official invitation" to Trade and Industry Minister Ariel Sharon to visit Hungary this week has been cancelled "at the last minute," sources in Jerusalem said last night.

Although the invitation, issued six weeks ago, had apparently come from Hungary's Ministry of Foreign Trade but another body, the sources are certain that the invitation was approved by Hungary's leaders.

Foreign Ministry sources, however, continued to insist over the weekend that the ministry "knew nothing" of the invitation.

The sources in Jerusalem said that Sharon had "fully coordinated" his plans for the visit with Prime Minister Shamir and Foreign Minister Peres. The invitation, said the sources, included plans for a visit by Sharon to industrial and agricultural plants and meetings with Hungarian ministers and top economic officials.

The sources said that the president of the Israel Federation of Chambers of Commerce, Danny Gilerman, spoke last week with the Hungarian authorities, who gave the following reasons for the cancellation of the Sharon visit:

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An official at Johannesburg's Jan Smuts Airport tries to comfort a relative of one of the passengers on the ill-fated South African Airways plane. (Reuters)

160 feared dead as SA plane crashes into sea

JOHANNESBURG (Reuters) — All 160 people aboard a South African Airways Boeing 747 which plunged into the Indian Ocean off Mauritius yesterday were feared dead, South African Transport Minister Eli Louw said.

He told reporters there was no sign of survivors and it was feared

that all aboard were dead. "It is a very sad day for South African Airways but we are still proceeding with the search," Louw said.

Ten minutes before the plane was due to land at Mauritius, the pilot radioed a distress call, saying there was smoke in the cockpit. Nothing (Continued on Back Page)

Anti-Semitism on rise in Argentina

BUENOS AIRES — Fistfights broke out on Friday between Jewish youths and members of an anti-Semitic group in central Buenos Aires, a day after a mass rally against anti-Semitism, witnesses said.

Police broke up the fights on a busy street corner where the rightist group called National Alert has been distributing anti-Jewish literature in recent weeks.

Witnesses said fighting began when National Alert members passed anti-Semitic posters on nearby walls and were shoved by several youths who overturned the group's pamphlet table. The youths identified themselves as Jews to reporters who arrived on the scene.

About 20,000 Argentine Jews alarmed by recent attacks on synagogues and cemeteries demonstrated in a downtown plaza on Thursday against what they said was a rising tide of anti-Semitism.

The rally, the first such demonstration by Argentine Jews in 25 years, was called to protest the bombing of a Jewish temple the day after the arrest of alleged Nazi war criminal Josef Schwammberger, the recent discovery of two bodies of Jewish kidnap victims and the vandalizing of a Jewish cemetery.

Schwammberger, arrested on November 14 and now awaiting depor- (Continued on Back Page)

Double shadow over event in memory of former leader

Worker strike could disrupt B-G ceremony today

By BRADLEY BURSTON
SDE BOKER —

Amid protests over alleged government neglect of the Negev and threats of disruption by maintenance workers here, the nation's leaders are scheduled to gather this morning at the grave of David Ben-Gurion to commemorate the 14th anniversary of the death of Israel's first prime minister.

Late last week, workers at the school complex adjacent to the grave site threatened to disrupt the memorial ceremony if school officials did not respond to their demands for wage hikes for the institution's 137 employees.

Though school officials offered to raise salaries in exchange for a promise that the event would proceed as planned, the works committee rejected an offer of a NIS 20-30 increase for workers now earning an

average of NIS 450 per month and reiterated the strike threat.

Meanwhile, the dean of the Humanities and Social Science Faculty of Beersheba's Ben-Gurion University of the Negev denounced the ministers' annual use of helicopters to travel from Jerusalem to the grave site, located on a ridge bordering the Wilderness of Zin.

Speaking to reporters in Beersheba, Dean Yehuda Gradus called the "traditional arrival of ministers in their helicopters" an expression of the ministers' estrangement from the Negev's problems. According to Gradus, were the ministers to "depart from their closed-mindedness" and travel as ordinary citizens, the "tens of thousands of dollars saved could be used to fund scholarships for development town stu-

dents who want to study at Ben-Gurion University."

Gradus, a geography professor, suggested that the ministers take a route suited to the functions of their ministries. He proposed that Defence Minister Rabin drive past the Ramat Beka industrial site "to see that the government's decision to transfer the Israel Defence Industries to the site has not been implemented." He called on Transport Minister Corfu to drive via the unfinished highway to Yeroham, and suggested that Health Minister Arbel-Almoshino pass Beersheba's Soroka Hospital to observe the hospital's "state of distress."

A Health Ministry spokesman said last night that "the minister does not require a commemoration of Ben-Gurion's death to visit Sor-

oka, and in fact she visited the hospital just two weeks ago." As to the use of helicopters to ferry the ministers, the spokesman said that "especially now, when every hour is so critical due to the nurses' dispute, it is essential to find the fastest means both of honouring Ben-Gurion's memory, and of returning to the negotiations."

Last year, Negev mayors and other public figures, citing government neglect of the region, staged a boycott of the Ben-Gurion memorial. Acknowledging their complaints at that time, Education Minister Yitzhak Navon caused a stir when he told the crowd, "I admit that I am embarrassed and even ashamed when I return here year after year and see that nothing has been done for the Negev that was so beloved of Ben-Gurion."

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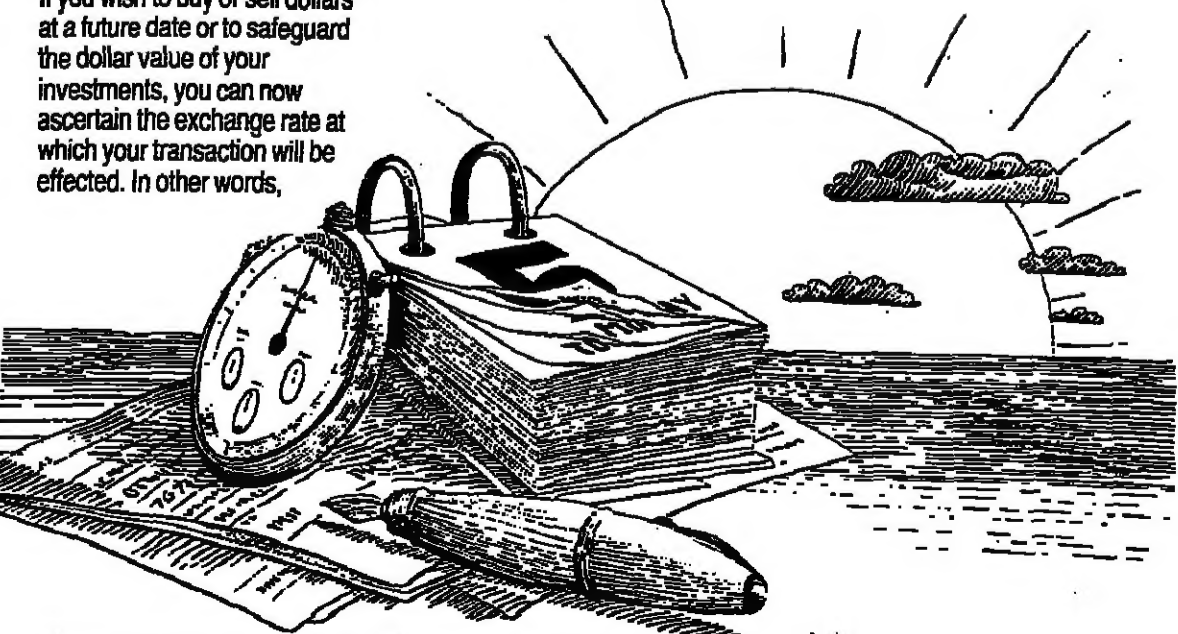
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Safed	42	13-26	29
Haifa Port	49	15-25	24
Tiberias	28	14-22	18
Nazareth	28	14-22	18
Afula	25	14-22	18
Shomron	25	14-22	18
Tel Aviv	83	13-22	24
B-G Airport	52	11-23	25
Jericho	25	11-26	27
Gaza	15	14-22	28
Beer Sheva	15	11-27	28
Eilat	27	15-28	29

Robbery gone 'awry' seen in double Jerusalem murder

By ANDY COURT
For The Jerusalem Post

The double-murder at a supermarket in downtown Jerusalem on Wednesday night most probably began as a robbery that somehow went awry, according to Jerusalem police officials and Police Minister Haim Bar-Lev.

Bar-Lev, quoted by Israel Radio, said there was no certainty that Arabs committed the crime or that terrorist motives were involved. One of the victims freed himself from his bindings and was murdered with a butcher's knife found in the supermarket, a sign that the murder had probably not been planned in advance Bar-Lev said.

The other victim was killed because he witnessed the previous murder, he added.

Supermarket manager Rafi Weitzman, 35, and security guard Zecharya Maimoni, 65, were found with their necks slashed Wednesday night in the supermarket beneath the Masbir Hamerczi department store on King George St.

Israeli film feted in Rio festival

By DAN FAINARU

Israeli actor-director Ze'ev Revach has won the International Film Critics Prize at the fourth international film festival in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, for his film *Bouba*.

The film was released last winter in Israel but neither local critics nor the audiences gave it much of a chance, this being a drama outside the scope of Revach's usual style of very popular comedies.

Strike gave Haim Yavin chance to develop new TV 'blueprint'

It would not be surprising if Israel Television head Haim Yavin has mixed feelings about the end of the IBA's journalists' strike. Naturally, after two months of managing a blank screen, Yavin was impatient to get back to his normal routine. But the far-sighted changes he envisaged with the return of broadcasts will not be implemented in the immediate future.

The two-month shut-down of Israel Television gave Yavin plenty of time to think about the future and the kind of television he wanted to watch after the strike. His plan, which was revealed last week and led to the journalists' cry of foul because of fears that it would lead to large-scale dismissals, was prompted by two major factors: the need to cut expenditure following the loss of NIS28 million in revenues during the strike, and the public's reaction, or more accurately non-reaction, to the sudden disappearance of Israel Television.

Yavin's understood that viewers were sick of the regular Israel Television diet of studio-reported news followed by programmes which can be most kindly described as "talking shops."

In their place, he proposed totally restructuring the *Mabat* newsreel, both in style and content, as well as introducing a new programme, to be broadcast three times a week, which would be a mixture of interviews and entertainment.

Yavin also envisioned a new, lighter touch for television presenters. The aim was to turn the whole system into a freewheeling, flexible format in which the studied formality of the past would have no place. To achieve this, there would be as

HOME NEWS

Eleven protestors held after Jerusalem demonstration

Shamir, Peres promise Shas to act on Sabbath status quo

By ANDY COURT
For The Jerusalem Post

Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir and Vice Premier Shimon Peres promised Minister without Portfolio Yitzhak Peretz on Friday that they would seriously consider new legislation authorizing municipalities to close business and night spots operating on Shabbat, the Interior Ministry spokesman said this weekend.

Peretz and MK Shimon Shalom (Shas) met with Peres and Shamir on Friday, following Judge Ayala Procaccia's decision that the Jerusalem Municipality lacked the authority to close cinemas operating on Shabbat.

The Knesset's failure to counteract Procaccia's decision might "upset the fragile balance of the current coalition government," Peretz explained to the coalition leaders.

The National Religious Party said Friday that if its contacts this week with Labour and Likud leaders didn't prove fruitful, it would pull out of the coalition as well.

In Jerusalem, meanwhile, Procaccia's decision prompted two more restaurants, but no additional cinemas, to open on Shabbat. Small groups of protestors appeared yesterday afternoon at a few locations throughout the city, but most of the action was focused on Rehov Bar

Ilan, where 11 people were arrested, five of whom were still being held in the police lock-up last night.

Mounted policemen chased ultra-Orthodox youths down the sidewalks, a water cannon hosed down residential buildings, and tear gas once again wafted through the ultra-Orthodox neighbourhoods flanking the street.

"What have you caught? Terrorists?" ultra-Orthodox bystanders shouted at police who arrested some teenage demonstrators. "You've caught Jews protesting the desecration of Shabbat!"

Police, however, pointed out that rocks thrown by the demonstrators hit a police van and a passing car. Without the police presence, the protestors would block the road to traffic and injure motorists passing by, Jerusalem Police Chief Yosef Yehuda'i indicated yesterday.

The disturbances on Rehov Bar Ilan, which continued for the 19th weekend yesterday, are motivated mainly by a desire to close the street to traffic on Shabbat, Yehuda'i said.

The road runs between the Roma and Ramot Eshkol neighbourhoods and is now to some extent supplanted by the recently completed Route 9 which runs from the French Hill neighbourhood to

Ramot and the main entrance to the city.

Yehuda'i noted that demonstrations over the showing of movies on Shabbat have dwindled in most parts of the city, even in the normally active Mea Shearim neighbourhood.

The protests on Bar Ilan, however, have continued week after week, causing some 200 policemen to work on Shabbat, he said.

"There are no movies being shown at 3 p.m. on Rehov Bar Ilan," Yehuda'i said. "I have no explanation other than that they want to close off the road."

The Rondo restaurant on King George St. and the Tayelet restaurant in East Talpiaz opened for the first time this Friday. The Beit Agora cinema, Orna, Cinematheque, and Beit Yitzhaki showed films as they have for the past few months.

A group of about 100 protestors, including MK Menahem Porush (Agudat Yisrael), MK Shimon Shalom (Shas), and MK Avraham Verdiger (Morasha), sang Shabbat songs in front of the box office of the Orna cinema on Friday evening.

There were no major confrontations between the police and demonstrators during the brief demonstration.

Palestinians in territories see glider attack as exploding 'Israeli myth'

By JOEL GREENBERG
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Palestinians in the territories have expressed widespread satisfaction over Wednesday night's attack on an IDF base near Kiryat Shmona, describing it as a daring and painful blow at Israel's military defences.

"It was seen as a heroic operation, just right, which destroyed the myth of Israeli defences," said one Palestinian observer. "People said for once the Palestinians made it hurt."

Though Palestinian commentators declined to be quoted by name for fear of a response by the security forces, they all reported praise for the attack, which they said had

boosted the morale of Palestinians in the territories.

Palestinians in some locations besieged newspaper stands over the weekend, and details of the operation were the topic of many conversations. East Jerusalem newspapers declined to comment editorially on the attack, apparently to avoid censorship, but their news accounts reflected the satisfaction in the Palestinian camp.

Full page headlines, one in blue print, dominated the front pages, and maps with bold arrows highlighted the area of the operation. *Al-Fajr* called the attack "courageous" in an eight-column banner

headline. Pictures of grieving soldiers were displayed under sub-headlines quoting IDF Chief of Staff Dan Shomron as saying that the attack was "a painful and powerful blow" to Israel.

Palestinian observers said the military target of the glider attack, its unusual technique and skillful execution were a source of satisfaction, free of the unease caused by attacks on civilians. Reports that an IDF guard fled from the attacker were a particular source of pride. "People were gloating about that," said one observer. The balance of casualties in the attacker's favour was also noted by some Palestinians.

Eban swirls through Spain

By ASHER WALLFISH
Post Knesset Correspondent

Alignment MK Abba Eban returned before the weekend from a three-day media blitz in Madrid during which he chided Spanish leaders for blocking a planned visit by Industry and Trade Minister Ariel Sharon, and lobbied on behalf of the Israel Aircraft Industries.

Eban, chairman of the Knesset Foreign Affairs and Defence Committee, was the guest of the Foreign Relations Committee of the Spanish lower house and met with King Juan Carlos, Premier Felipe Gonzalez and other top figures.

Eban told Gonzalez that Spain should not query the way Israel chose its cabinet ministers and urged him to reschedule the Sharon visit which had been vetoed by the Spanish Foreign Ministry under Arab pressure after the Spanish Commerce Ministry had it all set up.

At the Spanish Defence Ministry, Eban lobbied on behalf of the IAI.

Tokyo indicates support for international M.E. peace parley

Post Diplomatic Correspondent

Japan supports an international conference for Middle East peace, Israel Foreign Ministry sources said yesterday.

The sources were basing themselves on a statement to this effect made by Takakazu Kuriyama, Japan's deputy foreign minister, during a meeting in Jerusalem on Friday with Foreign Minister Peres.

Kuriyama is due to leave today at the end of a three-day visit, reciprocating a trip to Tokyo four months ago by Foreign Ministry Director-General Avraham Tamir.

Kuriyama said that Japan understands the problems involved in convening such a conference but "hopes" these can be overcome.

Driver burned to death

By JONATHAN KARP
For The Jerusalem Post

TEL AVIV. — Moshe Galili, 47, of Arad, was burned to death in his tender Friday morning after a truck in front of him overturned on the Tel Aviv-Ashdod highway, in heavy fog, dumping its load of highly-flammable gas canisters and igniting several cars.

The fog caused 16 accidents in the southern coastal plain, involving nearly 80 cars, trucks, buses and two police vehicles, the police said. In addition to the one death, 44 people were injured, most of them lightly or moderately.

In the most serious accident, the truck carrying gas canisters collided with another truck at around 6:20 a.m. near the Yavne interchange, overturned and caught fire as it went off the road. The accident caused a 20-car chain-reaction pile-up as approaching drivers did not brake fast enough on the fog-bound highway.

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Sister: Jean Nordheim
Brother: Ya'acov and Livia Arnon, their children and household.

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EVA MANDLER

The funeral will take place today, Sunday, November 29, 1987
at 1 p.m. at the Kfar Samir cemetery, Haifa.

Yaron Mandler and the bereaved family



Police in riot gear hustle along a young demonstrator during yesterday's disturbances in Jerusalem's Rehov Bar-Ilan over desecration of the Sabbath.

Aids facts rushed to schools

By BERNARD JOSEPHS
Jerusalem Post Reporter

A big campaign to tell the facts about Aids is being launched by the Education Ministry, which has instructed schools to start courses for both teachers and pupils aimed at "exploding the myths" that surround the killer disease.

The instructions, issued by the ministry's director-general, Shimon Shoshani, come in the wake of a furor over the announcement that a 15-year-old hemophiliac who carries Aids antibodies, is studying in a high school in central Israel.

The Education Ministry said it made the announcement to prevent a wave of rumors. But the Health Ministry said it was "furious" about the disclosure and accused education officials of causing "needless worry."

Shoshani told school heads that, while a special programme is being designed by a team of educators and medical experts to teach pupils about the disease, guidance courses should begin immediately using material published by the ministry in May. "Pupils need to know the correct facts about Aids in order to explode the myths that surround it, to reduce their fears and to ensure that they take the necessary precautions to avoid infection," said Shoshani.

The material, sent to every school in the country, explains what causes Aids, how it is passed on, which groups of people are in danger of infection, what treatment is available and how to avoid the disease. All schools have also received a list of seven hospital-based advice centres — Soroka, Beersheba; Hadassah, Ein Karem; Ichilov, Tel Aviv; Tel Hashomer; Kaplan, Rehovot; Beilinson, Petah Tikva and Ramham, Haifa.

Bishop calls for security after fire attack on church

By BERNARD JOSEPHS
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Jerusalem's Anglican bishop has called for beefed-up security around the capital's churches following a fire attack in which the 100-year-old door of St. Paul's Church on Rehov Shabtai Yisrael was destroyed and a number of prayer-books burnt.

Police said they were considering increasing mobile patrols and announced that they had arrested a 30-year-old ultra-Orthodox man in connection with the blaze early Friday morning.

Bishop Samir Kafry said last night that he was "deeply saddened" by the arson at St. Paul's which is the second fire to be caused

deliberately at an Anglican church in Israel this year.

In April, a blaze destroyed St. Saviour's Church in Acre and police are still hunting for the arsonist.

"We are waiting to hear about measures to be taken to stop aggression against holy places," said the bishop. "St. Paul's Church is used for worship and prayers as in every synagogue, mosque or church. Any aggression against any one of them is an act of aggression against spiritual values, equality and freedom of worship."

Police said last night that the man arrested for the fire is believed to be mentally unbalanced.

Extra security in territories for UN partition vote anniversary

By JOEL GREENBERG
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Security forces have put six West Bank Palestinians in administrative detention, and troops in the territories have been beefed up in preparation for possible unrest on today's 40th anniversary of the 1947 UN resolution to partition the country.

The six detainees include Sami Muhammad, of Dura, who was released in the May 1985 prisoner exchange with the Ahmad Jibril terror group. He had been given a 12-year jail term for stabbing a soldier in the neck while trying to steal his gun, and is suspected of resuming his activities on behalf of Palestinian terror organizations.

Another detainee, Salama Halifi, of Sawhira al-Sharqiya, was sentenced in February 1984 to 16 months in prison for membership in the Democratic Front for the Liberation of Palestine (DFLP), and is suspected of resuming anti-Israeli activities since his release.

hammad Kalyani and Adin Jind, are suspected of being leading DFLP organizers.

Muhammad Saff of the Dehaishe camp is suspected of organizing disturbances and stone-throwing, and Radwan Hamid, of Silwad, is suspected of being an activist of the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine.

Arab and Israeli members of the "Enough Occupation" group marked the partition anniversary yesterday with a demonstration at the site of the 1967 border near Sha'ar Hagai, on the highway to Jerusalem. They called for Israeli withdrawal from the territories and an international peace conference.

In another development, parents of two Birzeit University students killed in a clash with IDF troops last December petitioned the High Court of Justice on Friday seeking an investigation into the deaths of their sons and the release of the results of autopsies performed on them.

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Sixteen whites hacked to death with machetes Big manhunt after Zimbabwe mission centre massacre

HARARE. — Zimbabwe Home Affairs Minister Enos Nkala yesterday pledged to bring to justice rebels who slaughtered 16 whites — two Americans, a Briton and 13 Zimbabweans — in a dawn raid on a church mission centre in Zimbabwe on Thursday. A massive manhunt involving special plainclothes army and police units was under way yesterday to track down the rebels.

The minister had said on Friday that the white missionaries had been "slaughtered in a most despicable manner. They were hacked with machetes, although these people (the rebels) were armed."

Nkala made his pledge during a visit to the Christian community of Olive Tree and Adams Farm at Esigodini, the site of the massacre, about 100 kilometres south of Bulawayo in Matabeleland. "We will account for them," said Nkala.

"We have put together something and we could have had results last (Friday) night if certain things didn't happen," he said, without elaborating. The victims, who included two babies and several children, were hacked to death by rebels led by a man known as Gayigusu. Gayigusu, whose real name is Morgan Sango, was a guerrilla fighter in the Zippa Army of Joshua Nkomo. He has terrorized the area since 1982.

He was apparently called in by squatters who had quarrelled with the whites over grazing rights. Nkala said the 20 rebels involved in the killings had burned the bodies of eight of the victims.

Nkala said two people escaped. The sources named them as six-year-old Matthew Marais and Laura Russel, whose age was not immediately available.

The squatter leader was in police custody, Nkala said, adding: "This killing is really connected with the squatter problem." Police were hunting the squatters and believe they had hired the rebels to do the killings, Nkala said.



Zimbabwe's Minister of Home Affairs, Enos Nkala, at the mission centre, where rooms were gutted after the bodies of the murdered missionaries had been set alight.

He said the rebels had left an abusive letter, written in broken English, saying all people from the "capitalist-oriented West" should leave Zimbabwe. The letter also attacked Zimbabwean Prime Minister Robert Mugabe and British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher.

Rebels in Matabeleland and near-by Midlands provinces have murdered at least 50 whites and scores of blacks since 1982, destroying government property worth millions of dollars in their campaign against the government.

By killing white farmers, the dissidents feel they gain international publicity, weaken the government's

control in rural areas and gain popularity with the poor black peasants surrounding the large and prosperous white-owned farms.

The Matabeleland insurgency broke out after Mugabe fired opposition leader Joshua Nkomo and his top aides from a coalition government formed at independence in 1980.

The government says the rebels are actively supported by Nkomo's Zimbabwe African People's Union (Zapu) party, whose power base is among the minority Ndebele tribe of Matabeleland. Zapu denies any connection with the rebels.

Leaders of S. America seek way out of debt load

ACAPULCO, Mexico, (Reuter). — Eight Latin American presidents opened what they called a historic summit on Friday and indicated that the forging of a joint stand on their massive foreign debt would be their priority.

The seven visiting presidents — from Argentina, Brazil, Colombia, Panama, Peru, Uruguay and Venezuela — and host President Miguel de la Madrid of Mexico all suggested in their opening speeches that joint action was needed on the debt burden which is slowing growth for their 400 million people.

The summit is the first time Latin American leaders have met without the United States, which joins them in the Organization of American States.

Diplomats in Mexico said Washington would be following the results of the summit closely, concerned that the OAS might break up and give way to an all-Latin organization without the U.S.

The presidents' opening speeches carried varying degrees of criticism of U.S. influence in the region, with Panama's Eric Arturo Delvalle accusing Washington of direct interference in his country.

Irish capture 'Border Fox'

DUBLIN (Reuter). — The maverick Irish nationalist terrorist known as the "Border Fox," underwent surgery for at least three gunshot wounds after Irish police and troops trapped him on Friday, police said.

Dessie O'Hare, who had predicted he would never be taken alive, was "serious but not critical," a hospital spokesman in Kilkenny said. He was transferred under heavy guard to a Dublin hospital for further treatment.

O'Hare's companion, Martin Brien, was shot dead as they tried to drive through a joint police and army checkpoint off the main Dublin to Cork road in County Kilkenny. Police, apparently acting on a tip-off, had moved into the area several hours earlier and diverted traffic away from the roadblock.

Both were suspected of involvement in the kidnapping in October of John O'Grady, the dentist son-in-law of one of Ireland's richest men. He was freed by police in a gun battle on November 5 after his abductors had backed off two of his finger tips with a hammer and chisel.

The government had put up a 100,000-punt (\$158,000) reward for O'Hare's capture. The 29-year-old "Border Fox," from Northern Ireland, had formerly been a member of the IRA and the Irish National Liberation Army, and is wanted for questioning in connection with as many as 30 murders, mainly during the late 1970s.

President Ershad fights back Bangladesh imposes emergency rule

DHAKA, (Reuter). — Police yesterday fired warning shots to break up groups of curfew violators who defied President Hossain Mohammad Ershad's declaration of a state of emergency on Friday night.

Police said some opposition activists tried to start small marches on the outskirts of the capital, Dhaka, to protest the new tough measures, but they all fled after police fired blank shots.

Opposition leaders told Reuters by telephone police charged into a separate group of protesters in the Old Dhaka area with long bamboo sticks to disperse another march during curfew hours. But they insisted their campaign against Ershad would continue despite the curfew and the emergency.

Friday night's proclamation carried by state radio and television banned all rallies and processions and suspended fundamental rights. It placed five key cities under curfew to head off protests against the new powers, but authorities appeared to

enforce the order rather loosely. Besides Dhaka, the curfew applied to Chittagong, Khulna, Narayanganj and Rajshahi.

Yesterday the government added a news ban to head off opposition protests aimed at forcing him from power.

"The law of the land requires that your reporting should be one-sided," Information Minister Anwar Zahid told a news briefing. News reports "cannot be balanced," he added, and warned the journalists they could only report news which came from the government and may not send despatches based on "clandestine sources."

Police reported that they took some political leaders into custody after the emergency came into force but said that many more had gone into hiding. The opposition said Ershad's action would not hamper its campaign aimed at forcing him out. The former army general has ruled Bangladesh since March 1982.



A boy is arrested in Dhaka for breaking the curfew.

Death toll rises to over 580 after Philippines typhoon

BITANO, Philippines (Reuter). — Giant waves triggered by typhoon Nina killed at least 581 people in the central Philippines, government and military officials said on yesterday.

Five hundred of the dead were from Sorsogon province, where tidal waves smashed into coastal villages on Wednesday night. Provincial Governor Raul Lee told reporters.

Nina, the worst typhoon to hit the country in three years, made more than 100,000 people homeless and caused property and crop damage estimated at \$12.3 million.

President Corazon Aquino has declared 11 provinces in Luzon island calamity zones and ordered emergency rehabilitation.

"There is going to be a lot of hunger and illness because water is polluted. There is always a danger of all kinds of epidemic breaking

out," Social Welfare Secretary Mita Pardo de Tavera told villagers in Sorsogon.

Three days after the storm struck, villagers were still searching for bodies of missing relatives. Rescuers said some bodies were found floating in the sea while others were scattered on beaches.

More than 80 people were reported missing, including 11 soldiers who went on a rescue mission but were lost at sea off nearby Camarines Sur province, regional military commander Brigadier-General Luis San Andres said. He said more than 1,000 people were injured and taken to hospital for treatment.

Pardo de Tavera, who flew to a region yesterday to distribute food and clothing, told the villagers the government would do all it could to bring food and medicines for the victims of Nina.

Most wanted terrorist in France arrested

LYON (Reuter). — A left-wing terrorist suspect described by police as the most wanted man in France was arrested early yesterday after a shootout in this southern French city.

Police sources said Max Ferrot, believed to be the explosives expert of the Action Directe terrorist group, was picked up near a Lyon railway station.

Ferrot opened fire on police and wounded at least one officer before being arrested, police said.

Ferrot was the last important Action Directe suspect still at large. Four other suspected leaders of the extreme left-wing organization were arrested in February during a police raid on a remote farmhouse in the Loire valley.

Action Directe has claimed responsibility for scores of attacks in Paris and other French cities since its foundation in 1979.

Meanwhile, an explosion apparently caused by a bomb damaged the outside of France's state radio and television headquarters early yesterday, firemen said.

There were no casualties but the blast blew out windows on five floors of the building on the banks of the Seine.

Eight more die in clashes on eve of Haiti poll

PORT-AU-PRINCE (Reuter). — Eight people were killed in a night of a pre-election violence and shops and schools were shut on Thursday as Haiti approached its first free election in decades.

Radio and eyewitness reports said the deaths occurred as soldiers and armed assailants roamed the capital overnight.

Television showed undetonated grenades hanging from a bridge in the capital city here on Thursday, apparently set there by armed Tonton Macoutes, former secret police who served former dictator Jean-Claude Duvalier.

At least four of the dead on Wednesday night were members of vigilante groups, set up to protect neighbourhoods from marauding Tonton Macoutes, radio reports and eyewitnesses said.

Pre-election violence in Haiti has left more than a dozen dead since the independent Provisional Electoral Council (CEP) barred 12 suspected former supporters of Duvalier on November 2 from standing as presidential candidates. Haiti is to hold its first free presidential elections in 30 years today.

AIR CANADA's management decided on Friday to halt the company's flights after the government-run carrier had been crippled by a ground workers' strike. The airline's 8,500 ground workers have been engaged in a series of rotating walk-outs since June because of dispute over a new work contract.

Soviet leaders act to cut down on drinking, smoking and over-eating

MOSCOW (AP). — A government resolution has outlined new health care measures aimed at changing the life-styles of the Soviet Union's 272 million people of whom some 30 per cent are estimated to be overweight and 70 million smoke.

The USSR has the world's highest number of doctors per capita, but they are among the lowest-paid workers in the country. Medical care is entirely state-funded, but the quality is far below that in developed Western countries.

The resolution, reported Thursday, gave few details, but it said weight-reducing clinics and programmes to help people quit smoking would be expanded beginning next year.

The resolution was unusually frank in its disclosure of the scale of the obesity and smoking problems. But a report carried by the official Tass news agency made no mention of health hazards related to alcohol abuse, which remains a major problem despite an official anti-drinking campaign launched in May 1985.

Fighting the occurrence of illness will be the main thrust of the new health set-up. Children, war veterans, pregnant women and farm

workers will be required to have annual checkups beginning in 1991, and requirement will be extended to the rest of population after 1996, the resolution said.

Although the Soviet medical system employs 1.2 million doctors and another 3.3 million medical assistants, preventive health care is a little-known practice in the Soviet Union and citizens usually go to public clinics only after an illness has developed. As a result, flu epidemics sweep the major cities each year, filling hospitals, emptying school rooms and slowing industrial output.

Among the medical services targeted for radical improvement are women's consultation centres, which have been opened in recent years to advise women on birth control and feminine hygiene. But chronic shortages in supplies have hampered the centres' effectiveness, and abortion remains the only form of birth control available to most Soviet women.

The resolution said the consultation centres, as well as maternity hospitals and children's medical centres, will be given priority funding.

Tackling the personal behaviour of the population as a means of improving general health is believed to be the work of Yevgeny Chazov, the former Kremlin doctor who in February was named to head the Health Ministry. Tass on Friday carried an interview with Chazov, who called on Soviet citizens to start with themselves in adhering to Kremlin leader Mikhail Gorbachev's programme to rebuild society.

Chazov said schoolchildren will be required to take physical education classes for six to eight hours each week beginning 1989, as compared with the current requirement of two to four hours. Developing a habit of daily exercise was the most important factor in the new health programme, he stressed.

The Tass report cast Chazov as a model, noting that he exercises daily and spends his vacations climbing mountains in the Caucasus range. The 58-year-old physician was a co-winner of the 1985 Nobel Peace Prize for his work with international physicians for the prevention of nuclear war.

Prior to his appointment as health minister, he served as personal physician to Kremlin leaders.

Le Pen gets 18 per cent of vote in Marseille poll

By MICHEL ZLOTOWSKI
Jerusalem Post Correspondent
PARIS. — The extreme right-wing National Front won an impressive 18 per cent of the votes last week in the first round of the municipal elections in Marseille.

National Front leader Jean-Marie Le Pen urged his Marseille followers to abstain from voting today in the second and last round, because centre-right majority leaders have declared that they would not form a coalition with the National Front.

Headed by Socialist mayor Gaston Deferre until his death in 1986, Marseille in recent years has come to have more Moslems than any other city in France.

Marseille also has the largest Jewish community in the south of France, mainly of North African origin. But the emergence of the National Front does not appear to have led to any clashes between Le Pen's

supporters and the city's Jews. Some prominent Marseille Jews are even active in the party.

The chief rabbi of Marseille, Jo Sitruk, has been elected the next chief rabbi of France. On January 1, 1988, he is to replace Rene Samuel Sirat, who did not want to serve a second seven-year term. Sitruk was introduced to French Prime Minister Jacques Chirac on Wednesday, at a lunch with the representatives of the Consistoire, the body in charge of the Jewish community's religious affairs.

Discussing the elections in Marseille with Sitruk, Chirac said that he had never met with Le Pen and that if it were up to him he never would. But under new legislation on electoral fund raising initiated by President Francois Mitterrand, he had to receive Le Pen yesterday together with the leaders of all the main French political parties.

Australia can now try war criminals

CANBERRA (AFP). — The Australian federal parliament Thursday passed the War Crimes Amendment bill, which enables the prosecution of Nazi war criminals living here.

Attorney-General Lionel Bowen told the house the bill would not allow a defence based on the grounds that the accused was obeying orders.

Various groups have put pressure on the Australian government for some years to enact such legislation, observers said. In February, the fed-

eral government established a special unit under former National Crime Authority member Ron Greenwood QC to investigate immigrants suspected of war crimes.

The government is believed to have the names of about 250 suspected Nazi war criminals, 70 of them produced by Greenwood's unit and the others from concerned organizations, such as the Simon Wiesenthal Centre.

During the debate in the house on Thursday, Labour backbencher

Lewis Kent named a group of Yugoslavs he alleged were Nazi war criminals who had been able to get through immigration screening. "How was it possible that Cimecko Rover, Megay, Josip Kasic, Stepan Brbic and many others entered Australia and set up their extremist organizations here?" he asked.

Bowen accepted an opposition amendment to the bill that any prosecutions under it should be made within three years of proclamation of the legislation.

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Labour Zionist head says proposed Jewish Agency reform doesn't go far enough--urges radical moves

By CHARLES HOFFMAN
Jerusalem Post Reporter

The leader of the Labour Zionist movement, Yehiel Leket, has called for radical changes in the functions and political structure of the Jewish Agency.

Leket said in an interview on Friday that the major functions of the agency, which has a \$420 million budget, should be re-evaluated, with some of them limited or transferred to the government. He also called for a new system of governance for the agency that would reduce the role of party politics.

The Labour Zionist movement has submitted a resolution to the coming Zionist Congress calling for the agency to transfer its services for immigrant absorption to the government. Leket's proposals will be discussed this week at the convention of the World Labour Zionist Movement in Jerusalem.

Leket said that the agency should also "seriously consider transferring responsibility for youth services," now handled by the Youth Aliya Department, to the government.

He said that the agency should have three major tasks. One is to provide comprehensive, integrated regional development programmes for the Galilee, Negev and Arava. This would be carried out by a unit combining some of the functions today located in the Project Renewal and Settlement departments.

Second, the agency should fund programmes for the development of culture and the arts. "Look at what has been done with tennis in this country," Leket said. "Diaspora contributions have created an infrastructure for this sport in Israel, and now we are producing international



Yehiel Leket (N. Ben-Ami)

tennis stars. Why can't we do this with cultural projects too, like ballet?

"It would be attractive to the Jews abroad to take part in the cultural development of Israel, which is the centre of the Jewish people."

Third, "the agency should help develop the country's scientific and technological manpower. This means setting up some central mechanism for aiding higher education and vocational training."

He added that the scientific and technological programmes funded by the agency could be connected to economic development projects. "In this way we could use the business know-how of the Diaspora donors in the agency."

Leket's proposal for changing the way the agency is governed would "remove the control of agency departments from the political party

process" in the World Zionist Organization. This change would also remove the need for "advice and consent," in which the Diaspora fund-raisers have veto power over the candidates put up by Israeli parties for top agency posts.

Leket's party was for the past month in turmoil and uncertainty over who would be its candidate for WZO/Agency chairman, following a veto of Akiva Lewinsky by the fund-raisers.

"What we have today in the agency is not a real partnership with the Diaspora. One camp, the Diaspora fund-raisers, is strong and united, and the other, comprising the leaders of the WZO, is weak and divided. This leads to constant conflicts and too much stress on problems of governance."

He suggested that "both partners would send their representatives to the agency assembly, as they do now, and would select them in any way they see fit. But once they are in the assembly, anyone would be able to vote for anyone else as candidates for the board of governors or the executive," which are the agency's top governing bodies.

He conceded that the Israeli representatives now sent to the agency are sometimes "third-rate." But he stressed that "if we faced an open election, with all the risks that this entails for political parties, then we would have to send our best people to the agency. This also means that the heads of agency departments would be selected independently of coalition agreements in the WZO."

As for the WZO itself, Leket said that his movement would propose several major changes at the congress.

Gaza Strip administration gets new head

By JOEL GREENBERG
Tat-Aluf Aryeh Ramot (Shifman) will today be appointed head of the Civil Administration in the Gaza Strip. He replaces Tat-Aluf Yehoshua "Shaike" Erez, who recently became head of the Civil Administration in the West Bank.

Ramot, 39, has been chief operations officer of the Southern Command; he has also served as commander of regular and reserve infantry brigades. During the Lebanon war, he was assistant operations chief on the General Staff.

Ramot was drafted into the IDF in 1967, and served in the elite "Shaked" unit. He fought in Sinai in the Six Day War, and later served as a company commander, battalion commander and operations officer of the Southern Command during the Yom Kippur War.

MDA cardiac care ambulances return in J'lem, Rehovot

By JUDY SIEGEL
Magen David Adom has resumed full intensive cardiac-care ambulance service in Jerusalem and in Rehovot, and is slated soon to begin the service in Beersheba, after five years of labour disputes and staff shortages there kept these ambulances off the road.

The ICC ambulances did not operate during the day in Jerusalem and Rehovot earlier this month because no doctors could be found to work for the NIS 30 wage paid for a 12-hour day shift. Since the payment for the night shift — set by the Health Ministry — is NIS 150, there was no shortage of doctors in the evenings. Doctors have now been found who are prepared to work days for the rate offered.

Post offices will offer paper, pens and envelopes

By JUDY SIEGEL
Jerusalem Post Reporter
The country's post offices have gone into the stationery business, selling envelopes at all branches. Communications Minister Gad Ya'acobi purchased the first package of 10 envelopes for 50 agorot during a tour of post offices in Beersheba.

The envelopes are white with faint, tiny, red antelopes — the symbol of the Postal Authority — printed over their entire surface. They are also marked with a rectangle showing where to place the stamp and four lines for the address.

The authority intends also to sell writing paper, a pen with the Postal Authority symbol and a tear-off packet of stamps.

'Documentary' on Israel leads London audience to question the country's right to exist

By DAVID HOROVITZ
Jerusalem Post Correspondent
LONDON.—The premiere screening of a three-hour-long documentary on Israel at the London Film Festival last week was followed by a raucous slanging match involving members of the audience and a panel of "experts" including director Victor Schonfeld.

The finishing touches to the documentary, *Shattered Dreams: Picking Up the Pieces*, were completed only hours before its screening. Made up of interviews with numerous Israelis and Palestinians, interspersed with news clippings and footage from various theatrical performances and pop concerts, Schonfeld's film was shot between 1982 and the end of 1986.

An earlier, hour-long "spin-off" from this film, focusing mainly on relations between Jew and Arab in the West Bank, was screened on British television last year under the title *Courage Along the Divide*, and brought an impassioned and hostile response from the Jewish community. *Shattered Dreams* has had a similar effect.

The audience was spell-bound and silent throughout the 170 or so minutes of the film, with its footage of Israeli soldiers beating up Arab children on the West Bank, Rabbi Meir Kahane calling for the ouster of all Arabs in a speech at Afula, Israeli and PLO delegations meeting face-to-face last year in a remote Romanian hotel, and a veteran kibbutz couple tending to the graves of four sons killed in Israeli-Arab wars.

The Citizens Rights Movement's Benny Temkin, one of four panelists discussing and answering questions raised by the film afterwards, said he felt *Shat-*

tered *Dreams* was one-sided, "in that the fears, hatred and hopes of the Palestinians are not reflected. The only time a Palestinian viewpoint is presented," he said, "is at the end of the film, in Romania, when they are ready to make peace."

"But the true picture isn't like that; the Palestinian side is no less contradictory, no less ambiguous than the Israeli."

The first question from the audience, posed by a young, blond Englishman, was: "How, in the light of this film, can Israel justify its right to exist?"

This seemed to strike a chord with numerous others in the audience, some of whom applauded wildly. The consensus from the panel appeared to be that just as the Palestinians have a right to a state, so does Israel.

One man near the back of the cinema got to his feet at this point to denounce the film as biased, anti-Israeli and disgusting. Loudly though he spoke, he was nevertheless out-shouted by those around him, who urged him variously to sit down, shut up, and get out.

Festival organizer Sheila Whitaker, who was chairing the "discussion," inquired as to whether he had any specific question to raise. He hadn't. He left.

In between the rising tide of heckling, cheering and jeering that followed over the next 40 minutes, several people rose to ask why, if Schonfeld had aimed to present a representative portrait of contemporary Israeli life, he had focused on the groups at either end of the Israeli political spectrum, giving the impression that the country was divided only between those who vote Kach and those who support CRM and Mapam. Schonfeld did not accept the criticism.

Fine exhibit of art hype

By MEIR RONEN
BOSTON.—Art hype is sweeping the Western world. With financial markets shaky, investors are buying works of art they hope will appreciate in value. After all, huge sums are being paid at auctions for works by famous painters. Both artists and museums are playing interest in big money art for all it's worth.

One example of art museum hype can currently be witnessed at the Boston Museum of Fine Arts, where thousands queue daily to see the "Helga" series of drawings, watercolours and tempera paintings by veteran American realist Andrew Wyeth. Upstairs is a huge retrospective of the paintings, drawings and photographs of one of America's finest artists, pioneer modernist Charles Sheeler (1883-1965). There are so many visitors at the Wyeth show that you cannot get near the pictures. The Sheeler retrospective is virtually empty.

The sole subject of Wyeth's highly skilled, essentially monochromatic and superficial paintings is a single model, his neighbour Helga Testorf of Chadds Ford, Pennsylvania, though a few works are also devoted to her daughter. For the most part, Helga is seen alone in the woods or naked in bed. The series was made between 1971 and 1985 and was carefully "released" as a deep Wyeth secret, with suggestive overtones of a late-life affair on the part of the married artist.

The "unknown series" received its biggest publicity in a special section of *Time* magazine and was featured in many other publications. The current show, organized by the National Gallery of Art in Washington, is slated to tour five other major American museums.

While Sheeler is incomparably the finer and more important artist, it is clear that the hype value of the Wyeth name, linked romantically (and incorrectly so) with the enigmatic Helga, is of tremendous financial potential for museums looking for ways to draw big crowds.

One way the museums add to the hype is by insisting that tickets can only be bought in advance and used at a certain hour on a certain day. This also produces some crowd control. Hundreds of patient, well-dressed upper middle-class visitors are queuing up to see Helga even after they have been admitted on their time-tickets.

The Sheeler exhibit opens with early fauvist works, which followed Sheeler's visit to Paris in 1906. His paintings were prominent in the mid-century American Show of 1913, shortly afterwards, he began his landmark union of abstraction with American realism. Sheeler's works are executed with incredible precision, but never look stiff; some of his techniques seem drawn from Botticelli. Only Sheeler could make convincing symphonies of dams and aircraft engines, canals, ships and industrial sites. Yet the day I was there, not more than 30 people were looking at the huge exhibit of his works.

New organ represents spirit of St. Andrews

By HAIM SHAPIRO
Though St. Andrew's Church in Jerusalem can only accommodate some 200 worshippers, it will have a congregation of over 900 — in spirit — this morning when it dedicates its new organ.

The 900 contributed toward the purchase and installation of the Allen Classic fully electric organ, the only one of its kind in the Middle East. Until now, worshippers had to make do with a harmonium.

According to a church source, the donors mainly consisted of those who had visited or lived in Israel and had worshipped in the imposing hill-top church, overlooking the walls of the Old City. Because the church is a memorial to the British soldiers who fell here, many British residents have also donated money for the organ.

Pagan respect for decibels pollutes the air of Tiberias

BY HELGA DUDMAN
El Al has an international reputation for guarding against airborne lawlessness. Also, our national airline flies — at considerable financial loss — in strict accordance with Halacha: that is, not on the Sabbath. But you know how it is in families. The parents have all these values and reverence the laws of God and man. But the children? Just look around! Wild self-indulgence! Nothing is sacred, they thumb their noses at laws and decency. Snort, snort!

Sad to say, El Al has a very wayward daughter. She ignores pleas to behave and has even been brought to court, but still keeps calling for louder music and stronger wine.

The sin is not the front-page sort — not murder, not even adultery. It's merely that El Al's naughty daughter, the Laromne Club Hotel in Tiberias, is managed by corporate parents in direct descent from El Al, who believe that the enterprise will collapse if guests and neighbours are not treated to wildly amplified music.

A group of residents in the neighbouring houses went to court, asking for a temporary injunction forbidding the use of loudspeakers outdoors (in line, in passing, with a totally-ignored municipal by-law). To make a long and expensive story short, the judge ruled in favour of the plaintiffs.

After a period of flagrant contempt of court by the wayward progeny, another judge overruled the injunction, on the theory that hotels must make noise.

For here in the Holy Land, fun is measured by decibels, and many hotel managers cannot grasp why foreign visitors often complain about amplified noise. Israelis are a noisy bunch even without entertainment. Nathan Dunewitz's column in *Ha'aretz* not long ago was headlined "Kol Israel" — the Voice of Israel radio programmes blaring everywhere, kindergartens, mothers across balconies, and strident Hebrew as heard abroad.

The Tourism Ministry, in its wisdom, has awarded bonuses to the waters of the Sea of Galilee, whose music is heard up on the highest hillsides, while hotel guests downtown complain.

Religious and secular co-existence is a problem in Jerusalem; here's how it works in the Holy City of Tiberias. Friday night is of course

Israel ready to investigate fate of heavy water bought from Norway

Jerusalem Post Staff and Agencies
Israel has agreed to investigate whether heavy water it bought from Norway last year has been put to illegal use, an Energy Ministry spokesman said last week.

He said Energy Minister Moshe Shahal and Norwegian Defence Minister Johan Holst had agreed at a recent meeting in Oslo that representatives of the two countries would seek a solution to the long-running dispute.

Earlier this year, Israel rejected a Norwegian request to inspect 20 tons of heavy water, a potential component of nuclear weapons, which Norway sold Israel in 1959. Holst stressed the need for a solution that takes into account Israel's

needs and the agreement that was signed when the heavy water was purchased.

The heavy water has been unaccounted for, and Norway has been demanding to learn what became of it.

Shahal emphasized that Israel favours a regional agreement on the non-proliferation of nuclear weapons. He reiterated that Israel would not be the first country to introduce such weapons into the Middle East.

The Norwegian defence minister is scheduled to visit Israel on December 7 as a guest of the government.

Israel has refused to allow the International Atomic Energy Agency to inspect the heavy water, because

it considers the agency biased.

International speculation about Israel's nuclear capabilities was fuelled last year when Mordechai Vanunu, a former technician at the Dimona nuclear plant, told a British newspaper that Israel had been making nuclear weapons for 20 years.

Shahal also met this week with the Norwegian Minister of Petroleum, Arne Oien, to discuss the possibility of shipping Norwegian oil directly to Israel. It now comes via Rotterdam. There was agreement in principle to the idea, which would reduce shipping costs. Oien expressed interest in continuing to sell crude oil to Israel, which currently buys about 100 million tons a year from Norway.

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CONDENSED STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS
(In Pounds Sterling)

CONDENSED BALANCE SHEET AS AT DECEMBER 31, 1986

	1986 £	1985 £		1986 £	1985 £
Investments and fixed assets	421,022,000	354,165,000	Share capital and reserves	59,441,000	55,797,000
Other assets	133,007,000	98,270,000	Life insurance funds	175,091,000	145,824,000
			Unearned premium funds in general business	103,871,000	82,395,000
			Outstanding claims	184,391,000	150,620,000
			Other liabilities	30,235,000	27,799,000
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CONDENSED REVENUE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1986

(In Pounds Sterling)

	1986 £	1985 £
Premiums from life business	33,470,000	26,292,000
Premiums (written) from general business	303,127,000	229,982,000
Profit from life business	3,382,000	3,226,000
Profit from general business	3,841,000	750,000
Investment income not credited to insurance accounts	7,285,000	7,063,000
Net profit before taxation	14,512,000	11,019,000
Net profit after taxation	9,892,000	7,562,000

CONDENSED STATEMENT OF OPERATION IN ISRAEL FOR YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1986

In New Israel Shekels
(adjusted to shekels of December 1986)

	1986 NIS	1985 NIS
Premiums and fees from general insurance business	9,864,000	7,618,000
Profit from general insurance business (1985-loss)	1,353,000	(509,000)
Income from investments	265,000	564,000
Net profit	1,618,000	55,000

CONDENSED STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES IN ISRAEL AS AT DECEMBER 31, 1986

In New Israel Shekels
(adjusted to shekels of December 1986)

	1986 NIS	1985 NIS
Admitted assets in Israel	6,940,000	4,840,000
Liabilities in Israel	6,298,000	5,975,000
Excess of assets over liabilities in Israel (1985-deficiency)	642,000	(1,135,000)
Non-admitted assets in Israel	1,112,000	818,000

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Clouds in my coffee

Sasha Sadan describes a moment of political awakening during a trip to Germany.

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baby, he looked every inch my idea of a Nazi. Not blond, but that Aryan fairness, blue-eyed of course, with hair brushed straight into his face and chopped off a millimetre above his slightly squinting eyes. (Contact lenses, I noticed later.) His clothes seemed too perfect, his posture too strict. And then he opened his mouth. Out came a perfect English accent and the Queen's English.

During the war, Stephen's father, a German, had been a forced labourer. Afterwards, a displaced person in Britain, he married another German refugee. Their Cambridge-educated son returned to Germany as a scholar of the Friedrich Naumann Foundation which he now works for. The foundation sponsors 600 scholars a year to study in Germany, half of them from abroad, and runs about 80 projects worldwide, mostly in Third World countries. Our delegation was one of its experiments.

We talked, and talked, and did our best to earn our all-expenses-paid sojourn in concern about society. Stefan talked about the catastrophe of the Weimar Republic, and how the educated classes didn't involve themselves in politics. The Friedrich Naumann foundation, one of four non-profit foundations set up by Germany's major political parties, is named after a turn-of-the-century left-wing liberal "who gave liberalism in Germany a social conscience."

Politics and a social conscience. This really was our agenda as we ping-ponged across Germany for a brief introduction to the Council of Europe and the European Parliament. We learned, for example, that the Council of Europe, set up in 1949, has produced 126 conventions protecting individual rights, as we moved right along from data banks to blood banks, from au pairs to migrant workers, from terrorism to the Elgin Marbles.

It was a moment of political awakening. It became necessary for me to think of men versus women; time for me to trade in my fantasies. No more Hans-Jürgen Beerfelz. No more imaginary knights on white chargers to take me away from the humdrum existence of a housewife and make me gorgeous by meriting his attention. No more playing with the cream or the coffee cups, which is what I had been doing mentally. At my age you realize that what you

see is what you get.

The status of women in society, we were told, became a focus of attention for German politicians in 1972. There were battered wives, a shortage of day-care facilities and women who could not enter the job market because of lack of skills and prejudice against them before then. But in 1972 a survey revealed that a large percentage of the floating vote was female. The men were ready to do something. Not that they started jumping on the feminist bandwagon.

The men aren't going to push because they're like Wolfgang. They aren't personally affected. The pushers, right now, are the feminists who are fighting 19th-century attitudes towards women, who want to unite like-minded women, borders notwithstanding, and who want to show the public (men) that women exist on the political map.

Yet I could never bring myself to identify with the feminists. After all, declared feminists, are, well, pushy people. Besides, they don't speak my language. I'm a sexist. I like treating men as sexual objects. Too often feminists take themselves too seriously and seem to lack a sense of proportion, exercising the same ire whether offended by a male-oriented term like "spokesman" or the horrendous fact that women and men doing the same work get unequal pay. There are so many reasons why I balked at the idea of identifying with the feminists, I should have suspected my own motives. Looking back at Baden-Baden, I can see that it was more comfortable for me, so to speak, to be among the ranks of the girls in frilly aprons serving coffee. You get lots of male approval that way.

It will take time for me to figure out where to go from here. The channels for political action exist, but for that you need time, energy and support. You need to make painful choices. And persistence. In Germany for nine days I couldn't get a hot cup of coffee. I knew what I wanted. I explained and I got smiles and more lukewarm liquid. I was a victim of the coffee-machine. Like most men, it does everything except give you a hot cup of coffee. O.K., I'll get up and make it myself.

A doctor to replace so many pre-embryos that he is forced to use selective reduction if they all successfully implant.

Dr. Kyriacos Nicolaides, the obstetrician from King's who has been involved in about 25 selective reductions in cases of handicap, said: "There is a difference between using a technique to deal with a problem that arises from natural causes, such as a fetal handicap, and using it to solve a problem that the doctor himself has created."

"The best policy is prevention, which can be achieved by not replacing too many eggs or pre-embryos in the first place."

Dr. John Keown, lecturer in medical law at Leicester University, said: "Some doctors are claiming that this procedure is not abortion because the fetus is not expelled from the body and the pregnancy is not terminated."

"From a legal point of view, however, it would be considered an abortion within the meaning of the Offences Against the Person Act [1861], which would therefore expose the doctors to prosecution under it."

"The doctors' only hope of protection is to abide by the requirements of the Abortion Act [1967], which makes abortion legal in certain circumstances. I would advise doctors to ensure that the criteria set out by that act are complied with."

The procedures at the Humana are not carried out under the Abortion Act, and doctors there have been advised that they are not acting illegally.

(OBSERVER)

'Better one baby than none'

Annabel Ferriman

fourth miscarriage and on being advised that she had a weak cervix (neck of the womb), she decided to have a fetal reduction.

Her husband, Ivan, a businessman of Armenian origin, said at their home in Ealing, West London: "We very much wanted twins. But when it looked as though Janet was going to have a miscarriage, we thought it was better to have one rather than none."

"If there is anyone craving a baby, it is Janet. From being told she is an absolute no-hoper, she now has something to live for. Only a woman who has been childless will understand the frenzy and heartache she has been through."

SUSAN FRENCH, 35, from Hove, Sussex, has also successfully undergone the procedure - in her case, reducing the number of fetuses from four to two.

"Because I had already had a miscarriage, the doctors suggested that I should think about fetal reduction, though they said they would support us whatever our decision," she said.

"We decided in favour of it because we felt there were risks involved in having quads, which might mean losing them. Also, if they did survive, we thought it would be one long round of babies, whereas we had gone into the whole thing ex-

pecting to have just one."

The procedure, which has been performed since 1982 at King's College Hospital, south London, in cases where one of the fetuses is handicapped, involves injecting a drug into the amniotic sac of the selected fetus. This can be done as early as the ninth week of pregnancy, and the fetus is then simply reabsorbed into the woman's body. About 10 such operations have been performed at the St. John's Wood hospital.

Its use of the fetal reduction procedure, combined with its refusal to abide by the VLA's demand for a limit of four eggs or embryos, resulted in the hospital losing its licence for in-vitro fertilization treatment last September. Although the licence has no standing in civil law, it carries considerable moral weight in the medical profession.

The hospital now has agreed to abide by the authority's proposed maximum but will not know until the VLA's upcoming meeting whether its licence will be reinstated.

DAME MARY Donaldson, chairman of the authority, remains adamantly opposed to fetal reduction, except in the most extreme situations. She said: "If a doctor thinks that a woman is in danger of losing all her babies, as in the case of septuplets, for example, then selective reduction is reasonable."

"It is unreasonable, however, for



HAIR TODAY

Michele Chabin

SLICKER, SLEEKER, shorter, sexier. Hairstyles are changing faster than the seasons. Pictured here, three of the newest, coolest - straight from Paris. Spiky-chic cut by Jean Claude Galon is a ride on the wild side. Slicked-back layers (with just a little gel or mousse to set it in place) are pixie-pretty, yet sophisticated. Giant hot rollers? A close encounter with an electric socker? Nope, just a perm. Layered ringlets, cut just below the ears, are perfect for natural curly heads too. By Jean Claude Galon. If you prefer sleeping to getting up at dawn to wash and dry your hair, then this is the haircut you've been looking for. The close-cropped crown and wispy bangs are fast-drying, easy-wearing. By Lauren.

These and other hairstyles will be featured at this year's National Conference of Hairdressing, to be held tomorrow (Monday) at the Tel Aviv Hilton. The conference, whose theme is "Paris Hairstyles, Winter '87," will also exhibit the latest hair-care equipment and products.



Getting involved

Lea Levavi

TEL AVIV - Twenty young leaders of B'nai B'rith Women in North America have just spent 10 days here learning about Israel and their organization's projects here.

Irma Gertler, president of B'nai B'rith Women in the U.S. and Canada, explained that the organization has sent many missions to Israel in the past but that this first leadership training seminar was meant less as a tour of the country and more as an intensive learning experience.

The women visited two B'nai B'rith projects here: a residential treatment facility for emotionally disturbed boys in Jerusalem (a children's home for younger boys and a group home for teenagers, at separate locations, both in the capital) and a programme to bring together Jewish and Arab students at the Hebrew University Hillel Foundation on Mt. Scopus.

In addition, they met with representatives of Israeli political parties, journalists and academics, all of whom provided insights into Israel's economy and politics. They spoke

spent Shabbat at the homes of Israeli B'nai B'rith members, experiencing day-to-day life in the country. Gertler, a former dance teacher, said she was attracted to B'nai B'rith Women because it allowed her to connect with other Jewish women and to be involved with Israel while also dealing with Jewish women's concerns in her own country.



Irma Gertler

with female MKs about women's issues, and with Russian immigrants who still have family awaiting permission to leave the USSR. They

"I lived in Milwaukee in the Sixties, and I saw B'nai B'rith Women come out in favour of Father Coppi, a white priest who was marching with the blacks for civil rights, and I decided this was a gutsy organization. In the past, we used to say to women 'we need you as a Jewish woman to work for us.' Today, we have to tell the prospective member what's in it for her, why she as a Jewish woman needs us. With so many families dispersed, B'nai B'rith Women gives many women a sense of family they would not otherwise have," she said.

The group left the country on Thursday, November 19.

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WHEN JANET Aivazian has her baby in January, she will have completed one of the most controversial pregnancies in the history of obstetric medicine.

She is one of a small band of women who have undergone fetal reduction, a new procedure in which one or more fetuses is destroyed in a multiple pregnancy.

The procedure used at the Humana Hospital Wellington in St. John's Wood, north London, has brought a storm of criticism from Prof. Ian Craft, one of its chief exponents in Britain. His policy has been to place a large number of eggs or embryos into infertile patients to increase their chances of becoming pregnant, and then reduce the number later to avoid the dangers often associated with multiple births.

Such methods were discussed at a recent meeting of the Voluntary Licensing Authority (VLA), the non-statutory body set up to regulate in-vitro fertilization procedures, which censured the hospital concerned for its controversial procedures.

Some legal experts have warned doctors that performing the procedure could have legal ramifications, but the patients themselves are strongly in favour of it.

Aivazian, 44, who has had three previous miscarriages, including one at 28 weeks of pregnancy, believes the method has given her a last chance at motherhood.

After treatment with seven eggs at the Humana Hospital, she was delighted to find she was expecting twins. But then, after a threatened

Today is edited by Amy Levinson.

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TELEVISION

EDUCATIONAL TV
8.00 Teletext 8.05 Keep Fit 8.15 School broadcasts
14.00 Teletext 14.05 Everyman's University broadcasts
15.00 Surprise Train 15.20 Mrs. Peppercorn 15.35 Keep Fit
15.45 The Works of artist Simon 16.00 Rehov Sumsum 16.30 T-Bag Strikes Again (part 1) 17.00 A New Evening - live magazine

ISRAEL TV CHANNEL 2
17.30 Children's cartoons 18.00 Film - Les Misérables (Part 2) 19.30 Dance - Paul Taylor 20.10 The Horizons - documentary: Smoker's Luck (Part 1) 21.00 Pop 2

JORDAN TV (unofficial)
17.30 Cartoons 18.00 French Hour 19.30 News in Hebrew 20.00 News in Arabic 20.30 Charlie in Charge 21.10 Documentary 22.00 News in English 22.30 Love Boat 23.10 The Equalizer

MIDDLE EAST TV
13.30 Another Film 14.00 700 Club 14.30 Good News 15.00 Worzel Gummidge 15.30 Flying House 16.00 Fraggle Rock 16.30 Arabic Movie 19.00 The Waltons 19.30 Sky Minutes 20.00 The Sunday Classics 21.00 Movie: Never to Love 22.30 Good News

RADIO

ARMY
6.00 University on the Air 6.30 Open Your Eyes - songs, information 7.02 "707" 8.00 Good Morning Israel 9.05 In the Morning 10.05 Music 11.05 Right Now 13.05 One by One - news magazine 14.05 Daily Sounds 15.05 Festival songs 16.05 Four in the Afternoon 17.00 Evening News 18.05 Economics Magazine 19.05 Sports Magazine 20.05 The Making of a State 21.00 Mabat - TV news 21.20 University on the Air (repeat) 22.05 Popular songs 23.05 The 24th Hour 00.05 Night Birds - songs, chat

ARMY TWO
19.05 Radio 20.05 Emergency Call-Up 22.05 Coffee Break 23.05 All That Jazz

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	AM	FM
NORTH	1360	102.3
HAIFA	1305	JORDAN VALLEY 107.3
TEL AVIV (central area)	1287	JERUSALEM 98.9
JERUSALEM	1284	BEERSHEBA 98.9
BEERSHEBA	1224	ELAT 107.3
MITZPE RAMON	1206	
HAVAL	1288	
ELAT	1305	

CINEMA PERFORMANCES

JERUSALEM
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Despite sad state of Jewish Agency companies

By a Special Correspondent
Despite the gloomy situation of most of the Jewish Agency's economic companies, which instead of earning income to fill the coffers of the Jewish people have brought considerable losses, the salaries and fringe benefits provided to the chairman of boards of directors and general managers of these companies are well above those in the Agency itself and the economy in general.

The board of directors of Luchot Hagalit (a fibreboard plant in the Galilee which was recently sold by the Agency) decided in November 1984 that the salary of the general manager and the accountant "will be linked to \$3,500 a month as from April 1984."

Similarly, it was decided to grant them an annual bonus worth \$10,000. The Agency's treasurer, Akiva Lewinsky, had once determined that the salary of the chairman of the board of directors of Luchot Hagalit would be 10 per cent higher than the salary of the general manager, i.e. \$3,850 monthly. In addition to his monthly salary, the chairman of the board also received help in running his office (\$600-\$1,000 a month).

The high salary and special terms provided the chairman of the board of directors of Luchot Hagalit aroused the anger of Agency Comptroller Mrs. Ranana Gutman. She discussed this with the Agency's treasurer and stressed that the terms of recompense provided him were unreasonable. Lewinsky told the comptroller that the chairman of the board of directors (who had meanwhile resigned) had been asked to do special work in this job.

The comptroller, however, was not convinced, saying: "This does not justify a salary payment at that level for many years."

Mrs. Gutman recommended that a distinction be made between the salary of the chairman of the board and the remuneration for special work on a one-time basis.

Yet, the senior employees of Luchot Hagalit were not content with the high salaries paid them. When Mabab Furniture fell into deep trouble and the Agency decided to sell it in order to reduce its losses, the treasurer of the Agency requested a private lawyer (who helped in rehabilitating the Luchot Hagalit company) to manage Mabab Furniture as well.

In return for this commitment, the chairman of Mabab Furniture's board of directors approved "remuneration with the approval of the Agency's treasurer" of \$14,796 plus VAT for each of two senior employees of Luchot Hagalit to aid in closing down the sinking factory of Mabab Furniture in Kiryat Gat.

The fat salaries of executives

The Agency comptroller expressed astonishment at the exaggerated payments. She stated: "These payments were inflated. Remuneration was paid to two senior employees who worked in a full position at a sister company (Luchot Hagalit) which belonged to the Agency. Indeed, the audit office knows that they helped the chairman of the board of directors in operations concerning Mabab Furniture."

"However, these two workers receive a high salary from their own company. Moreover, in a firm that is in Mabab's situation it is obvious that any special expenditure in addition to the losses covered by the Jewish Agency should be as low as possible."

In other Agency economic companies as well, the chairman and directors general received "fat" salaries. In the Diyar Laoleh Company, the salary of the chairman of the board of directors in November 1985 was NIS 5,500, and the agreement with him stated that his salary would be updated monthly in accordance with the full rise in the Consumer Price Index. But he was not content merely with that.

In the months of June, August and September of 1984 he was also paid advances on demand at a rate of two-thirds and more of his net salary. The Agency's comptroller expressed reservations about the provision of advances on a salary by a person in a job who had the power to order implementation of the payment, particularly as inflation in that period was in full swing.

The director-general of the company also received a fat salary: 80 per cent of the amount received by the chairman of the board, and he drew advances in the middle of the month on his salary. In addition, the director-general requested from the chairman of the board of Diyar Laoleh in July 1984 that the company pay him \$900 a month for the levy which he paid for the \$6,000 he bought for himself and his family when they went abroad on holiday.

The justification for the request was that the date of his travel abroad was determined so as to enable him to spend a week with the chairman of the board, who of course approved the request, and Diyar Laoleh financed the 15 per cent levy. The Agency's comptroller protested, noting that there was no justification for granting the director-general's request.

However, the chairman of the board and the director-general of Diyar Laoleh were not content with that and requested further sweeteners. Diyar Laoleh has a subsidiary called Pardessia Industries, which operates a carpentry, a locksmithy and a factory for light prefabricated elements. The senior employees of Diyar Laoleh used to recruit the workers of the subsidiary company for doing jobs in their homes.

They repaired the roof of the home of the chairman of the board, carried out renovations and additions such as closing off the balcony for the director-general (who also served at that time as general manager of Pardessia Industries), built a wardrobe for him and supplied other services.

An inspection carried out by the comptroller's office showed that the senior employees used to pay late for the work, some of which was carried out without the issue of price tenders as required by procedure.

The Agency sharply protested this improper practice. It recommended stopping the work at the homes of senior employees of Diyar Laoleh. The company approved the recommendation and the director-general resigned.

The boards of directors of Jewish Agency-related companies are full of political figures and close associates of members of the Jewish Agency.

Eliezer Akabas (who for years was the assistant of the chairman of the Executive Arieh Dulzin until he retired on pension) serves as the representative of the public on the board of directors of the Tel Aviv Development Co. and Amigur.

Yehoshua Lorberbaum (who up to three years ago was director-general of the Companies Authority) was afterwards appointed chairman and director-general of Real Estate Participations. In addition, he is the public's representative on the board of directors of Binyan Ha'uma, the Israel Land Development Co. and Amigur.

About one-third of all the directors of companies controlled by the Agency are Agency employees. For example, the director-general of the Companies Authority, Shlomo Schwarzbart, is also a member of the board of El Al and Israel Land Development.

An examination of the methods of operation of boards of directors shows that generally they operate inefficiently, unprofessionally and sometimes even with real negligence.

For instance, the members of the board of directors of Real Estate Participations (which manages several dozen properties formerly owned by Rasso as a trustee of overseas residents who invested in them) met for only four or five sessions a year during 1982-1984.

The chairman used to call (sometimes by phone) the members of the board to get their views on current matters. At meetings, there was only one public representative. The minutes of the sessions show that in the period in question no comprehensive discussion was held about determination of policy in the field of management of properties, or of maintenance or formulation of a long-term plan for directing the company's affairs.

Most of the discussions were devoted to hearing reviews by the director-general about the company's financial situation and adoption of ad-hoc decisions on current matters. The comptroller uncovered grave shortcomings in the decision-making process regarding sale of the company's properties.

It was found that during negotiations for the sale of the Petah Tikva market, the board of directors was not convened for a meeting, but (according to Protocol 81) a telephone poll was conducted among board members in which they were informed of the terms of sale, for \$259,000. The minutes did not state with whom the negotiations were conducted, nor who the buyer and agent were. The files do not mention any tender nor any reasons for its absence.

In 1978, the regulations of the Agency's Companies Authority were approved and they specified how directors were to be appointed, their duties and the prohibitions on them as regards accepting of benefits.

It was also laid down that the salary of board members should be \$23.50 per session only, but the economic companies do not adhere strictly to the instructions.

(Third of three articles on Jewish Agency-related business enterprises.)

Gold soars as dollar falls

NEW YORK (Reuters). - The dollar tumbled in light trading on Friday, approaching record-lows against the Deutschmark and Japanese yen, a decline that sent gold prices higher and Wall Street sharply lower.

The dollar closed at DM1.6510, down nearly 2 pfennigs from DM1.6680 at Thursday's close in London when the U.S. markets were closed for the Thanksgiving holiday. The dollar is now just above its all-time record low of DM1.6475, hit early this month.

The dollar also closed at 133.50 Japanese yen, down from 133.55 yen on Thursday in London and near the all-time floor of 133.13 yen.

The British pound soared to its highest level in 5-1/2 years to \$1.8135, up two cents from \$1.7940 on Thursday in London and its highest close since February 1982.

The dollar's decline, coupled with signs of increasing U.S. inflation, pushed Wall Street lower, with the Dow Jones Industrial Average down 36.47 points at 1,955.24, a decline of 1.9 per cent.

The leading December gold contract closed up a strong \$9.20 at \$486.10 an ounce in New York.

Shekel devaluation not expected

Expectations of an imminent shekel devaluation have apparently faded, results of the bidding for forward dollar contracts of United Mizrahi Bank's Aditid scheme indicated on Thursday.

The exchange rate for purchase of dollars was set at NIS1.604, and the one for sale was set at NIS1.6, results that suggest the public does not see a devaluation soon. The large number of sellers brought about a 3 per cent drop in the forward rate. Mizrahi noted, however, that the bidding for March and June forward transactions reflected expectations of a 10 per cent devaluation of the shekel during those months.

EXECUTIVE CHANGES

2 named to Pericla board

Dead Sea Pericla Ltd., a subsidiary of the state-owned Israel Chemicals Ltd., has appointed two new members to its board of directors. SHUMUEL LACHMAN, who for the last three years has been a department head at IBM Israel, was named an outside director and EL-HANAN PAS, who is a senior deputy managing director at Pericla's parent company, Israel Chemicals Ltd.

SY SYMS, chairman and chief executive officer of Syms Inc., a New York-based national clothing chain, has been elected as the new U.S. national chairman of Israel Bonds. He will take up his new position on January 1.

Syms has been a key leader in the Israel Bond effort for more than a decade and is currently associate national chairman of Israel Bonds and an officer of its National Campaign Cabinet. In New York, Syms has served for the past year as chairman of the Israel President's Club, a group whose members purchase \$100,000 or more in Israel Bonds annually.

Syms contributed towards the establishment of Yeshiva University's

school of business, which was named in his honour. He has also played an important role in the Appeal, B'nai B'rith and the Israel Tennis Centre. Syms also serves as vice chairman of the Inger City Scholarship fund of the Catholic Archdiocese of New York.

RITAN KASSIF, 34, has been named the managing director of the Rim Industries Ltd. furniture division. Kassif is an industrial and managerial engineer with a B.A. in marketing. His last positions included market manager of the National Breweries and later of Carmel Mizrahi.

JOSHUA MAOR, president of the Israel-America Chamber of Commerce, was elected last week to the executive committee of the European Council of American Chambers of Commerce. The council is affiliated with more than 20,000 firms located in 12 European nations and in Israel. The companies' U.S. investments are valued at more than \$90 billion.

Maor is managing director of IBM Israel.

SHEKEL FOREIGN EXCHANGE RATES

COUNTRY	CURRENCY	November 27, 1987	BANK OF ISRAEL Representative Rates
CURRENCY BASKET	DOLLAR	1	1.7056
U.S.A.	DOLLAR	1	1.5845
GERMANY	MARK	1	0.9424
GREAT BRITAIN	STERLING	1	2.6224
FRANCE	FRANC	1	0.2773
JAPAN	YEN	100	1.1657
HOLLAND	FLORIN	1	0.8378
SWITZERLAND	FRANC	1	1.1463
SWEDEN	KRONA	1	0.2558
NORWAY	KRONE	1	0.2453
DENMARK	KRONE	1	0.2444
FINLAND	MARK	1	0.8635
CANADA	DOLLAR	1	1.1959
AUSTRALIA	DOLLAR	1	1.0851
SOUTH AFRICA	RAND	1	0.7852
BELGIUM	FRANC	10	0.4510
AUSTRIA	SCHILLING	10	1.3400
ITALY	LIRA	1000	1.2786
JORDAN	DINAR	1	4.4823
EGYPT	POUND	1	0.7118
ECU		1	1.9450
IRELAND	PUNT	1	2.5024



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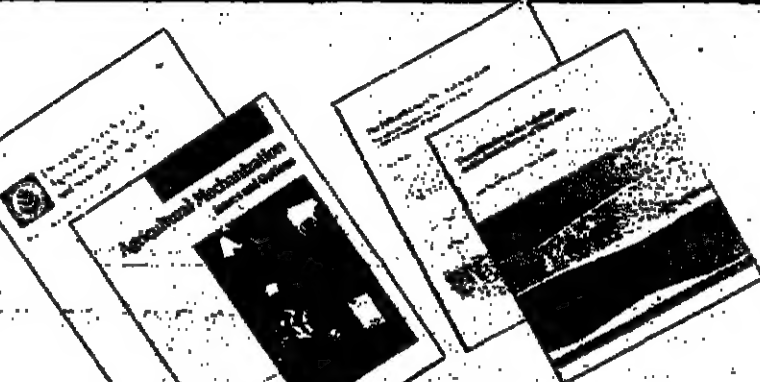
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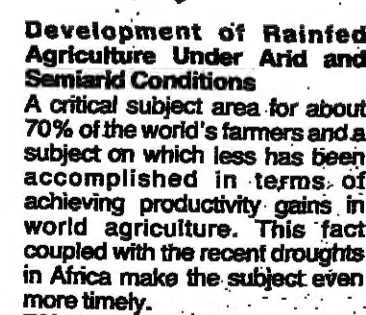
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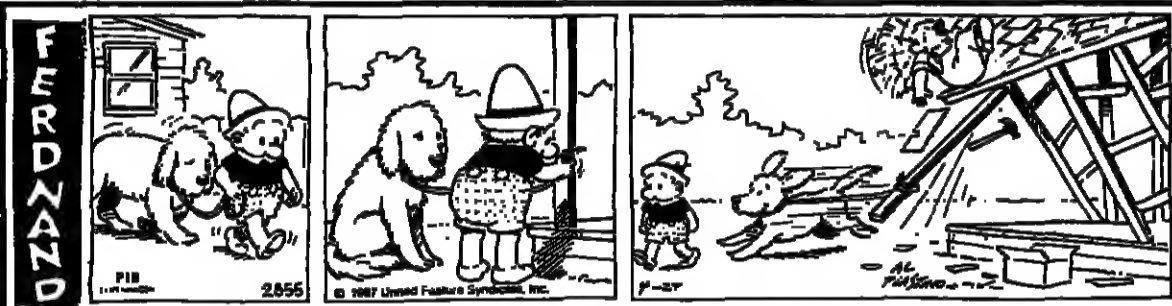
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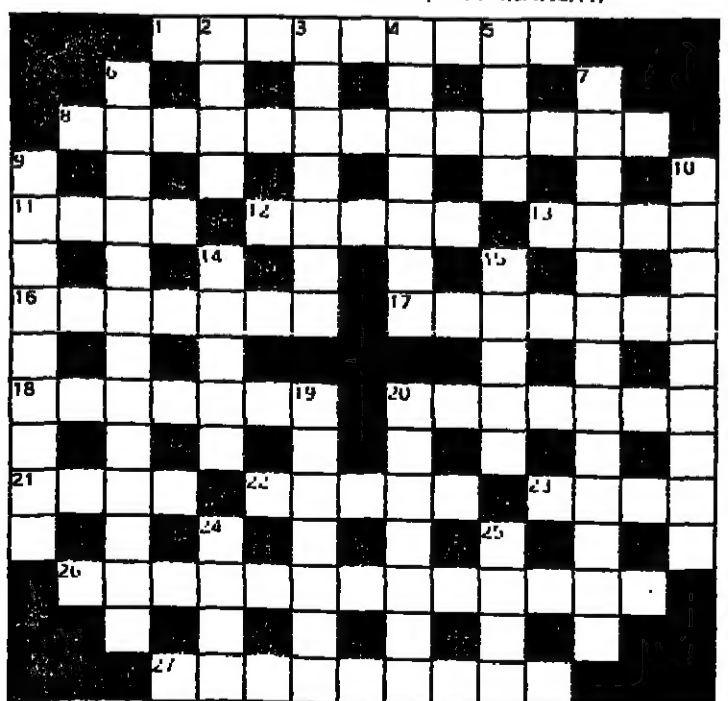
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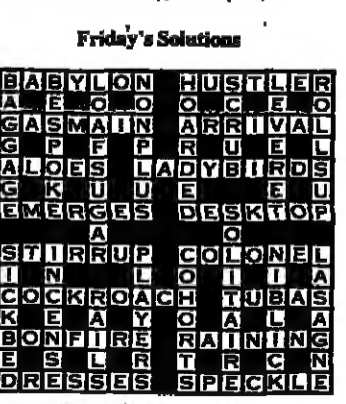
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- 2 The boulder who hacks 13 (4)
- 3 So cruel a disposal of one's business (7)
- 4 Nothing but cold rain to greet the conquering hero (3,4)
- 5 Suspend sentence (4)



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- 7 Did she give birth to her little jewel in an oyster-bed? (6,2,5)
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- 15 Brushwood? (5)
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- 20 I'd support Malawi's leader to provide African famine relief (4,3)
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- 9 Trevel (5)
- 10 Meeting of old comrades (7)
- 11 Seminal idyll (7)
- 12 Evade the issue (5)
- 13 Dealer in knives (6)
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- 22 Landscape (7)
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A tale of obstruction

PRIME MINISTER Shamir's true colour regarding his long overdue signature of approval for Jerusalem's new stadium in the capital's Manahat neighbourhood has finally emerged. Rather than use his prerogative as Acting Interior Minister and sign the building plan for the much-needed new soccer stadium, he has formally delegated his authority to the Interior Ministry's Director-General, Arye Deri, of the Orthodox Shas party.

This emerged on Friday in the state attorney's response to two separate petitions to the High Court of Justice by Mayor Teddy Kollek and by MK Dedi Zucker of the Citizens Rights Movement. By doing so, Mr. Shamir has lent full support to the persistent obstruction tactics of the Interior Ministry which continued unabated throughout the months that followed the resignation of Rabbi Yitzhak Peretz, the former interior minister. For a while, when Deputy Minister Ronnie Milo was in charge of the Interior Ministry, he tried to clear the way for the stadium building plans to be approved. But his removal from the ministry by Mr. Shamir, giving in to pressure by Shas, allowed the delaying tactics to go on.

Mr. Deri, obviously acting at the behest of his party leaders, chose to ignore the fact that the stadium's building plans had been approved by the local, district and national planning committees. Determined to raise any possible obstacle that could further delay and hopefully prevent approval for the stadium's construction, he also ignored the rulings over three months ago of a national appeals board and of a national planning subcommittee which, after hearing additional appeals, unanimously recommended that the Acting Interior Minister, meaning Mr. Shamir, approve the plan.

To lend credence to the Interior Ministry's plea for more time to consider the stadium's building plan before it renders a decision, Mr. Deri last Tuesday instituted another "hearing" of Orthodox residents of the Bayit Vegan neighbourhood who object approval of the plan. Their new claim is ostensibly that the Jerusalem municipality is in fact planning the building of a bigger stadium than that for which approval is sought, which would cause a considerable disturbance of their Sabbath peace.

That the actual size of the new stadium will correspond with the approved plans can easily be ascertained. As to the noise effect soccer games at the new Manahat stadium might have on Bayit Vegan residents, anyone who is only slightly familiar with Jerusalem's geography and topography will realize how preposterous this claim is. The distance from the last houses of Bayit Vegan to the new stadium site is about the same that separates the Knesset from the centre of town.

As long as these obstruction tactics were being pursued by the Shas party itself, through its officials who control the Interior Ministry, one could ascribe them to the regular political machinations of a small religious party which exploits its coalition clout to the utmost. But once these political maneuvers are carried out with the full knowledge and approval of the Prime Minister himself this is a far more serious matter.

The irony of it all is that those who suffer most from Mr. Shamir's decision not to approve the stadium's plans are the many thousands of Jerusalem residents who are Betar Jerusalem fans and who are also potential Herut-Likud voters.

Someone up there in Herut's higher echelons ought to make the proper political calculations. Mr. Shamir may have already alienated more Likud supporters in the capital than the party would wish to tolerate, particularly in an election year.

WALDHEIM

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being present at Salonika when the mass deportation of 43,000 Jews to Auschwitz took place in April, May and June of 1943.

According to the UN archives however, far from being an ordnance officer, Waldheim is listed as deputy to the chief of intelligence responsible for "special tasks." At the Nuremberg war crimes trials it was established that this term was used by the German high command to designate officers responsible for "murder, torture and other crimes against humanity."

According to the documents in the archives the Allies believed in 1947 that there was enough evidence

against the Austrian leader and former UN secretary general to justify charging him with murder and the killing of hostages.

Waldheim said on Thursday that he will not be bound by the report of an international commission probing his wartime past, and suggested that he will not step down even if the panel's conclusions compromise him.

The mandate of the six-member commission, chaired by Swiss historian Hans Rudolf Kurz, has recently been a contentious issue between the conservative Austrian People's Party that supported Waldheim's election campaign and the Socialist Party.

CAMP FAILED

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closed down unusually fast and reacted very well," Peled said later. The warning also reached the Nahal base near Kiryat Shmona - but didn't make much of an impact.

It was 20 to 25 minutes before the raider landed but the senior commander there - it was a captain at that time - didn't send his soldiers to take up positions along the fences. Only one man was at the entrance. The other soldiers were in the club tent, some had their guns with them, some did not, and apparently no one had on full gear when the gunman confronted the guard at the gate.

Peled still has not decided what to recommend when he addresses a forum headed by CGS Shomron later this week.

However, he has already said he has "no doubt we will have to handle [the matter] at several levels - including that of the commanders. It should start with the way the commanders addressed themselves to standing orders, and procedures," he added.

Peled is known as a stickler for discipline and recently sacked a battalion commander and jailed another officer for failing to carry out orders. He is bound to make recommendations in the hope that the Nahal commander, Tat Aluf Ben Zion Weiner will take "the necessary steps."

By last night it seemed the brigade commander, the operations officer and the guard - and possibly others - would be held accountable for the outcome of the attack. No

decisions have been taken as yet, however.

One source indicated measures may be taken against the brigade commander who bears indirect responsibility by failing to clarify standing orders and rehearse the drills which must be carried out whenever an alert is sounded. But reports that the officer had already resigned were denied last night.

The operations officer may also be found culpable. He had sounded the alert and the men turned up with their gear for an inspection but then left it on the ground and went away to the club tent.

The guard who was supposed to be at the gate may be court-martialed for failing to do his job. However, the IDF is hesitating about taking steps against him because he is a member of a bereaved family.

Item adds from Kiryat Shmona:
The commander of the Nahal brigade that was attacked has taken full responsibility for the lack of preparedness at his base.

The IDF investigation found that the shots that killed the officer in a van just outside the base were heard clearly from inside the base. It is not clear why the camp guard and the other soldiers did not use the time between the firing of the shots and the terrorist's arrival at the base to prepare themselves.

The terrorist of Ahmad Jibril's organization who carried out last Wednesday's attack on a Nahal base near Kiryat Shmona had trained for the operation at a base in Syria, Israel Radio reported last night.

MANY OF US are familiar with the parable of the poritz (the Polish landed magnate) and his court Jew, but it is a tale worth retelling for the sake of the analogy.

One day, in a fit of drunkenness, or of plain meanness, the poritz ordered his court Jew to teach his dog to speak - or pay a terrible penalty for failure. The court Jew seeing no way out, agreed to teach the dog how to speak within a year.

When his wife heard of his promise she began to weep and wail, "How will we possibly survive the horrible things that will befall us when it becomes clear to the poritz at the end of the year that you haven't fulfilled your promise to teach his dog to speak?"

The Jew sought to calm her. "I have an entire year. Who knows; during that year the dog may die, or the poritz may die, or the Almighty, who is known for his miracles, may indeed make it possible for me to teach the dog to speak."

The analogy, of course, is to the government of Israel and its wondrous ways of dealing with serious problems, some of them of awesome magnitude and implications. The strategy is simply to postpone for as long as possible - and if God is merciful - forever, the need to confront those problems and to take difficult decisions. Consider the following recent items in our news pages:

It is several years now that the government has known that the Beit Shemesh Engine works, which provides employment for a good part of the population of that development town, was a hopeless basket case. It is over a year since it decided to try to sell the plant to a private entrepreneur who might possibly save it. It is over half a year since it decided in principle to transfer the plant to the ownership of industrialist Stef Wertheimer, the only serious bidder for the firm. This week, Wertheimer announced that he was

giving up in disgust: nothing had moved to make it possible for him to start rehabilitating the plant. In the interim, however, tens of millions of dollars were spent unnecessarily in salaries for a workforce that produced nothing.

It is several years since suspicions arose that Israel could not continue to shoulder the Herculean financial difficulties of having the Israel Aircraft Industries develop and produce the Lavi fighter jet. Nothing was done about it until last spring, at which time, only the installation of a courageous new IDF Chief of General Staff made it possible for a bare majority of the cabinet to decide to scrap the project. The few years gap between the initial recognition of the existence of the Lavi problem and the date when the action was finally taken, cost the country well over \$1 billion.

It is well over a year since the Ravid Commission came up with a package deal which was intended to be an 11th hour rescue of the country's moshavim from the threat of total collapse in the face of a financial crisis engendered by the transition from prolonged three-digit inflation and of their own economic irresponsibility. To date, nothing has been done to implement that decision. Moshav debts have continued to grow by hundreds of millions of shekels in usurious interest charges and a growing number of moshav farmers are abandoning their farms in despair.

The strike of the Israel Broadcasting Authority journalists lasted

Running a state the Poritz way

Yosef Goell

almost two months. The government did next to nothing to bring it to an end. But much more critical was the government's and IBA's failure to utilize the strike and the shutdown of TV and radio broadcasts to prepare a detailed programme to reform the hidebound broadcasting service. During the numerous previous strikes which had broken out in various sectors of the IBA during the past few years there was always talk of the government shutting down the service to make it possible to institute such reforms. Nothing substantive has been done in this regard to date. The likelihood is that the workers' demands will be settled one way or another and the mess in the IBA will continue.

A similar, but much more serious situation has developed in the Kupat Holim hospitals. The doctors have been carrying out sanctions for months, and are now shutting down entire hospitals. The nurses in all the hospitals are cutting their work load by one quarter because they justly claim that the terms that brought their strike to an end last year have purposely not been implemented. It has been common knowledge that the country's entire health and hospital systems need a revolutionary revamping, much more radical in nature than the one needed by the IBA. But again nothing has been done in that regard.

There is good reason to believe

that had the "Forum of Prime Ministers" - Shamir, Peres and Rabin - taken the first revelations of the rot in the GSS which came to light around the Bus No. 300 affair last year as an opportunity to conduct an in-depth examination of that all-important but potentially very dangerous secret service, the more recent troubles in the GSS could have been avoided. But again, our leaders preferred to coast along in euphoric inaction in the hope that the problem would go away by itself. It didn't.

THAT IS the short list. The worrisome fact is that the people who pass themselves off as our national leaders are doing an abominable job of running the affairs of state. True, they are all men of impressive background and biography. But if they were plumbers or carpenters, teachers or doctors, they would have been fired for monumental incompetence long ago, even in an Israel where such firings are rare.

True, also, that it is not entirely the fault of their personal deficiencies. The system they head has worked itself into such a gridlock that nearly nothing of importance can be changed if the system itself, which determines the rules of the game of what is possible and impossible, is not itself totally revamped.

We are now entering upon an election year in which all the pollsters and the people who are sure to be the leading candidates for top office once more, are telling us that we are in for at least another four

years of the same paralysis. Neither the Likud under Shamir nor Labour under Peres, according to their own testimony, are at all confident that they will be able to break the political deadlock. Both party leaders have already been making noises - one year in advance of the election - to the effect that they do not consider the continuation of a government of national unity (and for another four years, to be a particularly unbearable prospect).

One year before those elections there is still time for the encouragement of ferment in both parties for a change in leadership that could possibly lead to a break in that political deadlock and in governmental paralysis. Nor is it too late for the encouragement of ferment that could lead to the rise of new leadership groups in a new party or parties which would contend against the old parties in the forthcoming elections.

It is 10 years since the meteoric appearance on the political scene of the Democratic Movement for Change and of its self-destructive. The DMC itself was not a mistake, although its leaders made inexcusable mistakes in leading the party following the period of euphoric exhilaration over its phenomenal winning of 15 Knesset seats in its first time at bat and with only a few months for organization and campaigning.

The fact that the DMC failed should not be interpreted as meaning that the striving towards a new politics that it presaged should be abandoned. The politicians of the old generation - of all parties - have given sufficient proof that they are simply not up to dealing with the country's real problems. It is high time for an influx of new blood into our politics, to save us from another four years of the same.

The writer is a member of the editorial staff of The Jerusalem Post.

TASS ACCUSES

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some people - whom it did not name - were trying to make the accord depend on Warsaw Pact cuts in conventional weapons and chemical forces.

David Horowitz adds from London:

British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher invited Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev to visit Britain on the way to the Washington summit because President Reagan had reportedly rejected her request for a meeting of Western leaders to be held before the superpower talks.

According to reports in the British press yesterday, Thatcher asked Reagan to meet with NATO leaders in London to plot the next steps in the disarmament process before he saw Gorbachev.

But the suggestion reportedly was dismissed by a White House still irritated by Britain's unsympathetic and no-nonsense advice to Reagan over the huge U.S. budget and trade deficits.

Reagan's advisers are also reported to have told him that a one-to-one summit with Gorbachev, with no prior outside consultation, would represent the best possible way of reasserting his position as an authoritative leader of the Western alliance.

But Thatcher, recognizing the implications for Europe of nuclear and conventional weapons cuts, was determined to make European views known. Since Reagan would not give her a hearing, she decided to invite Gorbachev.

ANTI-SEMITISM

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tation to West Germany, is accused of murdering 30 Jews in Poland and deporting hundreds of others.

The day after his arrest, a bomb exploded in front of the Sephardic Israelite Congregation synagogue in Buenos Aires, damaging the front of the temple but causing no injuries. Several days later a Jewish cemetery was vandalized and gravestones defiled.

The bodies of Jewish businessmen Osvaldo Sivak, kidnapped in 1982,

and Benjamin Neuman, kidnapped in 1985, were discovered earlier this month side-by-side in a grove outside Buenos Aires. The families of the two victims paid about \$2.4 million dollars ransom to free the men.

Antonio Cafiero, governor-elect of Buenos Aires province, and Marcelo Subrin, a house deputy, told reporters the incidents against Jews in recent weeks were endangering democracy, restored in 1983 after nearly eight years of military dictatorship. (Reuters, AP)

HUNGARIANS

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echelons of Hungarian economic officialdom, including the replacement of some of the ministers Sharon was to have met.

Heavy pressure by Arab states. In recent weeks, following the signing of the Israeli-Hungarian agreement to establish interest sections in each other's countries, the Arabs cancelled some \$300 million of Hungarian export orders. Fourteen Arab states lodged official protests in Budapest following the signing of the interest section agreement.

A planned visit "in a few days time" to a number of Arab countries by a group of senior Hungarian Foreign Ministry officials aimed at re-

furbishing Arab-Hungarian relations - especially trade relations - in the wake of the interest section agreement with Israel.

The Hungarians told Gilerman, according to the sources in Jerusalem, that the cancellation of the visit was "nothing personal" and that, in the circumstances, they would have cancelled a planned visit by "any Israeli official."

This is the second time a European government has cancelled plans for a visit by the industry and trade minister. Four weeks ago, Spain, also at the last minute, "indefinitely postponed" a scheduled visit to Madrid. Sharon was to have led a 30-member delegation of Israeli economic officials and businessmen.

NO RANSOM

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We couldn't even go to the toilets and wash.

"The best comparison I can give is that of a vast psychiatric hospital. As soon as you are abducted, you are brought to a room without windows. You wear a straightjacket. But this psychiatric hospital is peculiar: the abductors, the mentally sick, play the roles of nurses and guards. They decide that for months to come, you will be their dog. From time to time, they give you a sweet,

a little treat, and from time to time, they kick you or forget you and leave you without food or water..."

Syria played a key role in freeing the two French hostages from their pro-Iranian kidnappers in Moslem West Beirut, but the deal could not have been completed without Iranian blessing, diplomatic sources said yesterday.

Five French people are among the 24 foreigners still missing in Lebanon, believed kidnapped by Shi'ite radicals.

160 FEARED DEAD

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more was heard from the plane.

Louw told reporters that the crew of a South African aircraft on its way to investigate the crash had seen debris, a dinghy and some suitcases floating in the sea.

The French navy, taking part in the search from Reunion Island, reported seeing an inflatable escape chute like those carried by the South African Airways 747, oil and wreckage but no survivors.

A Mauritius air traffic controller said that debris from the crash was spotted by a Mauritian search plane 125 miles northeast of the island where flight SA 295 was scheduled to land after a 8,000 km. flight from Taipei.

The South African Airways office said 140 passengers were listed, with one unregistered passenger, a babe-in-arms carried on to the flight by its mother. There were 19 crew. The passengers included 30 Chinese, 47 Japanese, mostly fishermen

going to join trawlers in Cape Town and up to 20 Taiwanese tourists and businessmen on an organized tour. Around half the passengers had flown to Taipei from Hongkong, Seoul and Tokyo to join the flight. It was thought the remainder were European or South African. The crew were all South African.

Other sources said two Mauritians, two Australians, one German, one Dane and one Briton were on board.

There were angry scenes as relatives waited for news in the SAA office in Taipei.

Businessman Liu Ju Kuei banged angrily on the door when he could not get any word from officials about his daughter, who was going to visit her brother in Swaziland. "They were rude and indifferent. I pray for the safe return of my daughter," he said, bursting into tears.

READERS' LETTERS

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir - The first of Elaine Ruth Fletcher's two articles on the recent Green Patrol operation (October 29) begs the very question which is central to the dispute between the Beduin and the state. Ms. Fletcher refers to "some 500 dunams of ILA agricultural land claimed by the Beduin" - i.e. the ILA unquestionably owns the land, while the Beduin merely lay claim to it.

"State land," such as the Beduin have been said to "steal," "invade" and "squatter on," is not as unproblematic and neutral a term as it might seem. Land now registered in the name of the state includes lands like the al-Nassassereh, occupied by families who paid scarce cash for them long before the state existed, and who have documents recording the sale. It includes lands acquired by the state under the 1953 Absentees' Law: for example, 11 Beduin tribes were forcibly removed from their traditional lands in 1951-2. Then the state took their lands according to the 1953 law, because they were not on their lands on April 1, 1952, when the only reason for their absence was their eviction by the state's representatives.

The state has not recognized any proof of Beduin land ownership ex-

BEDUIN REALITY

cept title deeds from the official land register (Tabu). This sounds reasonable, but is in fact cynical. It is well known that the Ottoman and British administrations registered only a handful of land holdings in the Negev. This certainly did not mean that the land was not used. The British estimated in 1937 that virtually all the cultivable land in the Negev was cultivated by the Beduin. Neither did the British deny the Beduin's rights to the land simply because no complete land register existed. A commissioner reporting to the Palestine Royal Commission wrote that "the cultivable land in the Beersheba sub-district is regarded as belonging to the Beduin tribes by virtue of possession from time immemorial."

The fact that Beduin land holdings were not registered in the Turkish or British periods is often mentioned, but rarely explained. The conclusion that the Beduin were not attached to the land is implied, and occasionally claimed, as Liora Moriel did in *The Jerusalem Post* of February 20, 1986: "The Beduin never bothered about the actual ownership of any tract of land." This is uniformly contradicted by more informed sources. Furthermore, there were clear reasons for the failure to register

land. The protection of formal deeds was not necessary before the state. Also, registration brought taxation, and the Beduin lived in extreme poverty.

Arab land holders in the Negev have not been unwilling to compromise and adapt to the needs of the state. The repeatedly expressed wish of many Beduin is to have small agricultural villages, as they say touchingly, "on the model of Jewish moshavim." In 1976, 500 families delivered a written request for help in this to the minister of agriculture. The plea was submitted three times and asked only for "parts of our empty lands which are not significant to the state for either development or security." This conciliatory request was, humiliatingly, ignored.

Rabat: YUNIS AL-GRINAWI

Elaine Ruth Fletcher comments: Given the reality of the modern state, I searched, but could not find, more neutral terms: the ILA "owns" the land in question and the Beduin lay "claim" to it. But the points Mr. Grinawi raises are precisely the crux of the dilemma for the Negev Beduin and the source of continuing pain and controversy. They deserve far more thorough and careful attention than they usually receive.

HADASSAH ANNIVERSARY

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post
Sir - I refer to your report of November 18 entitled "Hadassah marks seventieth anniversary here" about Hadassah-Wizo Canada. I would like to clarify that Hadassah, the largest Zionist women's organization of America, marked its 75th anniversary this year.

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B'NAI B'RITH WOMEN

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir - I refer to your article of November 15 reporting on the symposium highlighting the plight of Soviet Jewish refugees which was held in Jerusalem, and wish to point out that it was organized by B'nai B'rith Women.

Our members in the United States and Canada have been active in all efforts being made to free those seeking to leave. We have brought a group of B'nai B'rith Women lead-

ers from the United States and Canada to learn about issues of current concern to Israel, as well as to see first-hand the projects we support in Jerusalem. Because of this, we wanted the women on our leadership seminar to Israel to speak directly with Soviet Jewish women who have come to live in Israel.

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